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Trusted Computing Platform Alliance Holds Founding Conference

More than 70 companies have joined the security alliance

Houston, Texas - November 19, 1999 - Today the Trusted Computing Platform Alliance (TCPA), an industry working group that is focused on improving trust and security of computing platforms, held its Founding Conference in Houston, Texas. Over 30 hardware and software companies participated in the one-day conference to see the unveiling of the initial specifications.

This is the first alliance of its kind designed to improve trust and security on the PC, bringing together leading hardware and software companies to help define a specification. The TCPA founding conference highlighted working procedures, TCPA's goals and objectives, and an overview of the scope of the specification. The afternoon was dedicated as a working session to give its participants a first glimpse of the specification so that all participants could provide feedback and input. Plans have also been made to nominate Board of Advisors and sub-working groups for TCPA.

Since the announced formation of the TCPA on October 11, 1999 by Compaq, Hewlett-Packard, IBM, Intel and Microsoft, more than 70 leading hardware and software companies that have or plan to have products and/or services dealing with security on the PC platform have joined the TCPA. Below is a list of the current TCPA participants:

360 Degree Web
3Com Corporation
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.
Adobe Systems, Inc.
Atmel Corporation
Baltimore Technologies Ltd.
BindView Development
Certicom Corp.

CHECKFLOW
Check Point Software Technologies
Ltd
Chrysalis-ITS
CipherKey Exchange Corporation
Communication Intelligence
Corporation

Compaq Computer Corporation
CYLINK Corporation
Digital Persona Inc.
E-Lock
ENABLE Solutions
ERACOM Pty Ltd

Hewlett-Packard Company
Hitachi, Ltd. PC Div.
I/O Software, Inc.
ID Tech
Integrity Sciences, Inc.
Intel Corporation
Interlok Technologies L.L.C.
International Business Machines Corporation
Internet Dynamics, Inc.
International Service Consultants
Ltd.
Internet Security Systems
Iomega Corporation
Litronic Inc

LOGISIL Consulting
Macrovision Corporation
Media DNA Incorporated
Microsoft Corporation
National Semiconductor
nCipher Inc

O2Micro
PC Guardian
Pijnenburg Custom Chips B.V.
Precision Digital Hardware
PricewaterhouseCoopers
RSA Security, Inc.
Racal Security and Payments
Raytheon Company

SCM Microsystems
STMicroelectronics

SAGRELTO Enterprises, Inc
Samsung Electronics Co Ltd
Science Applications
International Co.
Securant Technologies
Secure Computing Corporation
Trend Micro, Inc
Trithem Technologies
Trustpoint Corporation
Ubizen

Entrust Technologies Ltd
FARGOS Development, LLC
Fujitsu Limited
Gateway, Inc.
Gemplus Corporation

NDS Limited
NEC Corporation
NetSecure Software Canada
Network Associates, Inc.
Novell, Inc.

Veridicom, Inc.
Wave Systems Corp.
Xcert International, Inc

The TCPA mission -- through the collaboration of platform, software and technology vendors -- is to develop a specification that delivers enhanced HW, system software and OS based trusted computing platform that strengthens customers' trusted domains. The Alliance aims to create and deliver a specification proposal to a standard's body by the second half of 2000.

TCPA is an open alliance and encourages other companies that currently have applications and/or products, or plans for applications and/or products that relate to security on the computer platform to join the TCPA and participate in the development of the new specification. More information about joining the Trusted Computing Platform Alliance is available on the Web at <http://www.trustedpc.org>.

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