Experts on Cryptology, Information Security gather in Kuching

KUCHING: Experts from distinguished universities worldwide are now here for the ASIACRYPT 2007, an international conference on the 'Theory and Application of Cryptology and Information Security' that begins today.

They include researchers from University of California Los Angeles, Gruz University of Technology Austria, University College London and many other noted institutions.

They are joined by their counterparts from the private sector such as EPFL and Bell Laboratories, Advanced Micro Devices Inc and IBM T.J Watson Research Centre, just to name a few.

Some 170 individuals from 30 countries from as far as Europe and North America will attend the four-day conference.

ASIACRYPT is an annual event sponsored by the International Association for Cryptologic Research (IACR).

It is organised in Kuching by the Information Security Research (iSECURES) Laboratory of Swinburne University of Technology and Sarawak Development Institute, and supported by the Sarawak government.

Chief Minister Pehin Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud is expected to deliver his official address at a dinner hosted by the State at a leading hotel here Wednesday.



CONFERENCE ON SECURITY: Delegates from China check their names at the registration counter. — Photographs by Johnathan Bullet

Formal proceedings, published by Springer-Verlag, will be provided to register participants of the conference.

Technical sessions will run from Monday

morning to noon Thursday, with nontechnical activities will be held for half a day on Tuesday afternoon. The customary Rump Session will run as usual on Tuesday evening.