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Professor Bernhard Hämmerli joins the advisory board of iT_SEC SWISS AG

Zurich, March 28, 2006 – iT_SEC SWISS AG further expands its advisory board with the appointment of Prof. Bernhard Hämmerli. The lecturer in Data Communication, Networking and Information Security brings extensive experience from scientific and industrial backgrounds to the holding.

iT_SEC SWISS AG attracts another highly qualified member to its advisory board, Professor Bernhard Hämmerli. Apart from his role in iT_SEC SWISS AG, Professor Hämmerli will also advise SECUDE IT Security GmbH on technology questions.

Professor Hämmerli is a member of several national and international advisory boards for science and industry. He also works on the committees of various scientific symposia and conferences. He is the chairman of the FGSec Security work group of the Swiss Society of Informatics, as well as member of the Swiss Society of Computer Scientists and the IEEE Computer Society. Professor Hämmerli is editor of the German trade journal “digma” Digital Rights and Information Security (www.digma.info) and the European Critical Information Infrastructure Protection (CIIP) Newsletter (www.ci2rco.org).

Hämmerli draws from a long history of experience in science and business. He graduated from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH) as an Electrical Engineer in 1983 and obtained his PhD in 1988. Early in his career he worked for IBM on the development of communications software, for Swissair as Network Strategist, and later for UBS on various communications and security projects.

In 1992, he was appointed professor at the University of Technology and Architecture of Lucerne (HTA), where he taught Microprocessor Technology, Computer Languages (Modula, C, C++) and Software Technology. Hämmerli

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was further responsible for the development of the curriculum Informatics, the continuing education degree Data Protection, the Executive Master Program for IT Security, as well as the establishment of the first IT-Security Lab for the regional Cisco-Academy Central Switzerland for Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) and Cisco Certified Network Professional (CCNP).

Alongside his continuous commitment to science, Bernhard M. Hämmerli has remained equally involved in industry. As an advisor, he has worked for several global corporations and was a member of many boards such as the Swiss Information Operation Working Group. He also initiated the establishment of the Swiss Information Sharing Centre, MELANI.

„Switzerland, with its internationally renowned neutrality offers an ideal environment for a corporate holding in the Information Security sector“, Prof. Hämmerli states, „Corporations increasingly seek the assurance that governments and authorities do not exert influence on information security products. These market demands can be met by iT_SEC SWISS and I am pleased to advise the group“, Professor Hämmerli says.

About iT_SEC SWISS AG

iT_SEC SWISS AG is a unique private Swiss investment holding company dedicated exclusively to the IT security market. Its goal is to acquire and/or merge technologies or companies to enable global market access and to become a market leader in reducing corporate risk through leading edge IT security applications. iT_SEC SWISS AG also financially supports SECUDE's growth strategy, thereby allowing the subsidiary to maintain its existing product line, while investing in innovative new products. This ensures its leading position in the market. iT_SEC SWISS AG has its headquarters in Cham, Switzerland.

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