IP3 AND EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S CENTER FOR REGIONAL AND NATIONAL SECURITY (CeRNS), PARTNER TO OFFER EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIUM FOR INFORMATION ASSURANCE

SAGINAW, MI – The Center for Academic Excellence in Information Assurance at Eastern Michigan University, is hosting IP3 Inc., the nation's leader in Information Assurance and Information Security education and research, for a 2day seminar on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 30-31, 2007. *"From Strategy to Reality: The Bigger Picture"* will be offered on Eastern Michigan University's campus, Sill Hall, Room 1, Ypsilanti, MI.

The workshop has been delivered to over 4,000 IT security professionals nationwide, and fosters an environment for dialogue and collaboration among researchers in academics, IT administrators, and professionals in the industry.

Eastern Michigan University faculty, staff, students and the affiliated corporate partners of the University are eligible for \$6,000 in scholarship funds to attend the workshop. Contact Professor Gerald Lawver (734-487-1590) for more information about qualifying for EMU scholarships and discounts.

"We are pleased to again host the IP3 conference", says Lawver. "This Conference adds creditability to our outreach efforts by bringing leading edge instruction in IT Security to the EMU Campus. Our students benefit not only from the instruction but also for the networking opportunities afforded them. "

Ken Kousky, IP3 CEO says, "Eastern Michigan University is committed to bringing vital educational programs to the local market, and IT security is a vital and timely topic. Security vulnerabilities and internet exploits are exploding just as corporations get saddled with increasingly complex regulations. Working with the University is a tremendous opportunity. With cyber security a top issue for U.S. corporations and government, information technology education is critical. Cooperative efforts with NIST, federal methodology and practical experiences provide a foundation for the curriculum and strategies presented. The E-Government Act of 2002 mandates Federal agencies to perform security assessments. "These assessments represent the only publicly available systematic review of information assurance and IT security in place today," says Kousky. "Both private industry and government can gain a wealth of insight from this work, but it may take the creative analysis of a seasoned private industry executive to provide a guide to the lessons learned."

IP3's workshop provides a balance of theory and real-case scenarios demonstrating how security systems have been breached and what solutions are out there to prevent it from happening to your business or organization.

In addition, "No single 2-day workshop provides as much management and leadership insight for the struggling IT security professional," says Kousky.

From Strategy to Reality: The Bigger Picture explores the latest critical security issues such as the NIST Guidelines to help Federal agencies fortify their systems, SANS/FBI Top 20 Vulnerabilities and the President's National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace. In addition, the workshop addresses the top five IT security challenges identified by corporate security managers: multi-vendor integration, wireless device security, VoIP, internal theft of intellectual property, and Sarbanes-Oxley compliance, along with cryptography, PKI, mobile computing security, digital rights management, and virtualization.

Ypsilanti, Michigan, is one of 20 cities IP3 will visit during its 2007 national workshop tour. Cost to attend the 2-day seminar ranges from \$295 to \$895 (with video iPod and podcast library subscription). For an abbreviated course outline, registration information and event location for this intensive 2-day overview on the latest security vulnerabilities and technologies, please visit <u>www.ip3seminars.com</u>.