

## **An Exciting Event: The Taiwan IrDA Wireless Symposium, Sept. 18, 2003**

The Taiwan IrDA Wireless Symposium held on Sept. 18, 2003 in Taipei was an exciting and successful event. It was sponsored by Chung San Institute of Science and Technology (CSIST). Prior to the event, 400 invitations and free VIP passes were mailed, plus 4 news releases in major daily paper. As a result, the entrance-fee based symposium achieved full attendance till the last presentation in a filled lecture hall, and standing room only at the exhibition area. The symposium brought together executives and professionals from mobile device manufacturers, cell phone operators, credit card issuers and banking operations.

Four speakers presented on the theme of the Symposium – IrDA Mobile Payment.

Dr. Keming Yeh of ACTiSYS and chair of IrDA Test/InterOp committee presented “IrDA is Ready for Prime Time!” and “IrDA transceivers for remote control”. Dr. Lichen Wang of ACTiSYS and Chair of IrDA Technical committee spoke on “Wireless Mobile Payment; Spec., Status and Certification”. Dr. I-Chiau Kuo of Chung-Hwa Telecom, the biggest Taiwan mobile operator, reviewed the detail of their successful “emome” (e-life) program – cell phone based banking, stock trading and payment program in “The Financial Provider and The Application of Mobile Wallet”. And Ms. Ping-Chang Jui of Chung San Institute of Science and Technology discussed their demo project, “Application of Digital Mobile Payment”.

In the exhibition area, IrFM dongles, protocol IC and IrFM tester from ACTiSYS were demonstrated, as well as vending machine and parking meter with cell phone IR payment applications from CSIST; IrDA transceivers from Novalog, and many others. Many people visited the booths; it was shoulder to shoulder, and the attendees asked plenty of questions. Interviews were conducted on-site by the media. Newspaper articles appeared the next day and in the following days.

There were many active discussions at each table during the formal lunch. From the collection of business cards, there were many executives from mobile manufacturers, mobile operators, banking industry, and surprisingly many from investment community and government agencies. From this event alone, there is already a field trial program with Telecom company, and two special programs with government funding being formed. Truly as Dr. Yeh declared in his presentation, IrDA is finally ready for prime time!

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Dr. Keming Yeh, President of ACTiSYS, and Chairman of IrDA Test/Inter-Op Committee, spoke on "IrDA Ready for Prime Time!"



Dr. Lichen Wang, VP-Technology of ACTiSYS, and Chairman of IrDA Technical Committee, spoke on "IrFM Spec, Status, Certification"



Dr. I-Chiau Kou, Manager of Chung Hwa Telecom, spoke on "cell phone emome (e-life)"



Ms. Ping-Chang Jui from CSIST, discussed "Mobile Payment Program and Applications"