

**SYMANTEC JOINS ADDISON-WESLEY PROFESSIONAL TO LAUNCH SYMANTEC PRESS
*Book Series To Focus On Information Security From Authors Throughout the Industry***

CUPERTINO, Calif. - July 19, 2004 - Symantec Corp. (Nasdaq: SYMC), the global leader in information security, today announced a strategic collaboration with Addison-Wesley Professional to launch Symantec Press, a publishing arm developed by Symantec that will feature books focused on critical and valuable information security topics.

Symantec Press will select key security experts, including talent from within Symantec and throughout the industry, to write the books. Symantec will work with Addison-Wesley Professional, the leading publisher of high quality and timely information for programmers, developers, and system administrators, to publish the books.

Books published by Symantec Press will address information security from a number of vantage points, including management, best practices, strategy, and solutions. The series publisher for Symantec Press is Linda McCarthy, executive security advisor, Office of the CTO for Symantec, and author of "IT Security: Risking the Corporation."

"Looking over the landscape of books currently available, it's clear there was a glaring need for a publishing outlet that developed material focused specifically on information security," said McCarthy. "As part of this effort, Symantec Press will aggressively seek out authors not only within Symantec but also authors outside the company as well to contribute works focused on the most important security issues today based on their expertise."

"Addison-Wesley Professional has a long standing history of publishing some of the most revered series in various technology sectors. We do this by implementing best-in-business strategic relationships," said John Wait, executive vice president and publisher, Addison-Wesley Professional, "Symantec is undoubtedly the most respected security organization in the world. We are pleased to publish this valuable new series and look forward to enlisting some of the brightest and most intuitive security minds employed by the organization in addition to outside contributors."

Symantec Press will publish three genres of security books, each specifically written to key members of the security community. They are:

- **Enterprise books** - These books will be technical titles specifically written by and for engineers, system administrators, consultants, etc. Topics may include software exploits, intrusion prevention, testing security appliances, and virus research.
- **Management books** - These books are less technical in nature and are written specifically for the technical and/or non-technical manager.
- **Consumer books** - These books will be written as a guide for home users who need help in understanding how to deal with security issues such as data backups, crashes, and viruses.

The first two books to be published by Symantec Press are "The Executive Guide to Information Security: Threats, Challenges, and Solutions," (ISBN 0-321-30451-9) by Mark Egan, Symantec's chief information officer and vice president of Information Technology; and "Mapping Security: The Corporate Security Sourcebook for Today's Global Economy," (ISBN 0-321-30452-7) by Tom Patterson and Scott Gleeson Blue. Both books are scheduled to publish in November 2004.

About Addison-Wesley Professional

Addison-Wesley Professional is the leading publisher of high-quality and timely information for

programmers, developers, and system administrators. The company's mission is to provide educational materials concerning new technologies and new approaches to current technologies written by leading authorities. Addison-Wesley Professional is a division of Pearson Education, the global leader in integrated education publishing. Pearson Education is part of Pearson plc (NYSE: PSO), the international media company. Visit us at www.awprofessional.com.

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