

IT Lunch Time Seminar Series

Organized by



In collaboration with



eBARIO: BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE

Dr. Alvin Yeo Wee

Faculty of Computer Science & Information Technology
Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS).

Abstract

The eBario project was conceived by Universiti Malaysia Sarawak to study how Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) can improve the lives and livelihood of a rural community. The project aimed to also identify the needs and opportunities in the community which can be met by the innovative use of ICTs. This presentation will thus describe the history, success and challenges of the eBario project as well as its current status and future. In particular, the lessons learnt from this pilot project will also be presented. These lessons include ensuring that there is active participation of the community in the project, and having a multidisciplinary research team working together with industry partners.

All are welcome.

WHEN: 9 October 2003 (Thursday), 12.30pm-1.30pm

WHERE: Room 3.01

About the Speaker

Dr. Alvin Yeo Wee earned his PhD from the University of Waikato, New Zealand. He joined the eBario research team in 2001, and is currently working on research projects involving application of ICTs in rural communities. Dr. Yeo's main research interests are in software internationalisation and localisation (providing software for different cultural groups) and in usability evaluation.

He is the Head of the Information Systems Programme at the Faculty of Computer Science and Information Technology, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS).