

**Title of Panel:**

Trusted Product Evaluation Program: "End of an Era"

**Panel Chair:**

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**Panelists:**

TBD

**Panel Description:**

Panel will cover TPEP history and its current status, lessons learned, and the the future of Government sponsored evaluations for high assurance.products

**Session Abstract:**

The Trusted Product Evaluation Program (TPEP) was started in 1983 to evaluate commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) products against the Trusted Computer Systems Evaluation Criteria (TCSEC). Since then over 100 products were successfully evaluated and entered onto the National Computer Security Center's Evaluated Products List (EPL). We are now moving to a program which accredits commercial laboratories to evaluate COTS products against the TCSEC or the Common Criteria (CC). The Panel will discuss where TPEP is today, lessons learned and applied to the commercial evaluation program and what will fill the void after TPEP ends.

The panelists will come from the TPEP program and will specifically address what role the COTS Assurance and Evaluation Programs Division will have in future high assurance evaluations under the TCSEC (B2-A1) and under the CC (EALs 5-7) after TPEP is officially ended in the year 2000.