Trend Micro to Deliver Threat and Data Protection for Microsoft Azure Customers

Expanded relationship will provide comprehensive security to companies transitioning workloads to the cloud

With businesses increasingly turning to the cloud for speed and flexibility,Trend Micro Incorporated(TYO: 4704; TSE: 4704), a global leader1 in cloud security, today announced an expanded strategic relationship with Microsoft Corp to provide organizations with additional security for the Microsoft Cloud. This arrangement will help Microsoft users fulfill their security obligations for applications such as SharePoint and platforms including Microsoft Azure and Windows Server 2012. While Microsoft will continue to provide a secure infrastructure, Trend Micro will deliver capabilities for securing cloud and hybrid architectures, offering centralized management and comprehensive protection for data, applications and operating systems.

"The ability to leverage the scale and agility of the cloud is critical for organizations of all sizes, but valuable information must remain secured," said Bill McGee, senior vice president and general manager, cloud and data center security, Trend Micro. "To keep productivity and user satisfaction high, security needs to be reliable and convenient. To that end, Trend Micro is leading the way in providing comprehensive security solutions as cloud and virtualization adoption surges. Working with Microsoft allows us to reach a broad customer base that can benefit from the advancements we have made in these areas. This is the beginning of a variety of initiatives where we will align with Microsoft to ensure use of cloud computing services can continue to accelerate and be protected to the same level, or better, than when the services were deployed internally."

At this year's TechEd North America, Trend Micro will showcase new security features for itsDeep Security™, SecureCloud™ and PortalProtect™ products in support of Microsoft technology, including:

- Microsoft Azure – Trend Micro Deep Security and SecureCloud can be used by organizations to provide threat and data protection security controls for virtual machines deployed within Microsoft Azure. These security controls include anti-malware, intrusion detection and prevention, and encryption, combined with centralized, automated policy management.
- Microsoft SharePoint – As organizations transition from on-premise to Microsoft Cloud solutions, Trend Micro PortalProtect delivers data protection across SharePoint workloads in Microsoft Azure.
- Microsoft Agent Extension – Deep Security can be chosen as a security extension when configuring a virtual machine within Microsoft Azure. In addition, Powershell Extensions can be used to streamline provisioning of Trend Micro Deep Security, SecureCloud and PortalProtect for Microsoft Azure virtual machines and SharePoint workloads.

"As we broaden the scope of our cloud and virtual solutions, we know that security will continue to play a primary role to meet our customers' needs," said Corey Sanders, Principal Group Program Manager, Microsoft Azure. "That's why working with Trend Micro is so important to our overall approach. The company has consistently demonstrated expertise and commitment to delivering innovative security solutions to help customers securely achieve the full potential of the cloud. We look forward to continuing our work with Trend Micro in the future."

Trend Micro is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner with a strong track record of developing security for Microsoft environments, including Windows, Exchange, SharePoint and most recently providing virtualization and cloud security for Hyper-V and Microsoft Azure. Trend Micro is also a member of MAPP (the Microsoft Active Protections Program), which provides security vulnerability information from the Microsoft Security Response Center for product updates to protect against zero-day vulnerabilities announced in Microsoft Security Advisories.

About Trend Micro

Trend Micro Incorporated, a global leader in security software, strives to make the world safe for exchanging digital information. Built on 25 years of experience, our solutions for consumers, businesses and governments provide layered data security to protect information on mobile devices, endpoints, gateways, servers and the cloud. Trend Micro enables the smart protection of information, with innovative security technology that is simple to deploy and manage, and fits an evolving ecosystem. All of our solutions are powered by cloud-based global threat intelligence, the Trend Micro™ Smart Protection Network™ infrastructure, and are supported by over 1,200 threat experts around the globe. For more information, visit TrendMicro.com.

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1 Experton Group - 2013 Cloud Vendor Benchmark report
