

News Release

Datacraft acquires Security-Assessment.com, a world-leading IT Security Consulting firm

Singapore, 08 Jan 2008 – Datacraft, the region’s leading independent IT solutions and services company, has reached final agreement to acquire the business of Security-Assessment.com, a high-end IT security consulting firm based in New Zealand, for NZ\$5 million. Datacraft sees this acquisition as pivotal in its drive to provide best-in-class protection to its clients’ networks and IT environments across the Asia Pacific region.

Peter Benson, CEO of Security-Assessment.com, said: “The acquisition presents new opportunities and a wider geographic reach for Security-Assessment.com and will enable our team to further develop professionally”.

Robin Hartendorp, Datacraft New Zealand’s Managing Director, added: “Security-Assessment.com is a highly respected and renowned leader in security consulting and research. The company’s identity, professional independence and integrity will be protected so they can continue to fulfill their role as trusted advisors to their clients. As part of Datacraft, however, the company will be fully integrated into our finance and administrative systems so that they do not have to worry about running their own back-office.”

Security-Assessment.com’s core capabilities are audits, assurance, assessment, and advice. These complement Datacraft’s existing off-the-shelf technologies with custom work to provide world class penetration testing, vulnerability management and risk assessment. The team also advises company directors and C Level Management on improving the IT environments thus assuring that their clients adhere to reasonable, appropriate security practices.

The company's research and development capabilities were recently featured in the media, illustrating their use of a PlayStation 3 gaming console and how they turned it into a cryptographic processor that outperforms conventional devices used for the same purpose.

Datacraft's General Manager of Security Solutions, Matthew Gyde, sees Security-Assessment as a complementary service adding to Datacraft's current security practice. This addition will enhance the team's ability to provide the highest level of security advisory and assessment services to clients regionally and globally.

"This is an immensely talented group of IT security consultants with sophisticated ethical hacking skills, high integrity and a strong sense of social responsibility. It is a rare find, and our clients will welcome their expertise and dedication. The key focus will be to expand this practice regionally without compromising the team's unique identity and extremely high standards," Gyde added.

Datacraft's majority shareholder, Dimension Data, has already established teams in the security space in Belgium and Australia.

The financial impact of the acquisition of Security-Assessment.com on Datacraft's financial year is not expected to be material.

About Security-Assessment.com

Security-Assessment.com provides independent security advisory, assessment and assurance services to help organisations establish and maintain a secure environment, an effective enterprise security strategy and stay ahead of the game in compliance requirements... More information can be found at www.security-assessment.com

About Datacraft

Datacraft is the leading independent IT services and solutions company in Asia Pacific. The company helps clients plan, build, support and manage their IT infrastructures. Datacraft combines an expertise in networking, security, Microsoft operating environments, storage and contact centre technologies, with advanced skills in consulting, integration and managed services, to craft IT solutions for businesses.

A member of the Dimension Data Group, Datacraft is listed on the main board of the Singapore Exchange and is a component company of the Straits Times Index. Headquartered in Singapore, Datacraft spans more than 50 offices and has over 1,300 employees across 13 Asia Pacific markets. More information can be found at www.datacraft-asia.com

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