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GFT inboxx cooperates with Microsoft

GFT inboxx GmbH is a Microsoft ISV and Gold Certified Partner

Unterschleissheim/Hamburg, 9.4. 2008. Thanks to its numerous client projects and extensive expertise in the field of ISV/software solutions, GFT inboxx GmbH has qualified as a "Microsoft Gold Certified Partner". The international IT company is now one of the small group of 900 certified Gold Partners, the highest level of the Microsoft Partner Programme. GFT inboxx develops and sells its own vertical and horizontal software solutions, which are based on Microsoft technologies. One example is the e-mail archiving solution *inboxx*. In the context of its strategic cooperation with Microsoft, the independent software vendor (ISV) will in particular continue to push ahead with the development of industry-based solutions for small and medium-sized clients.

"In GFT inboxx we have gained a powerful ISV partner, boasting special expertise in the field of legally compliant and long-term e-mail archiving. Co-operation with independent software vendors forms a key pillar in Microsoft's partner network. With the vertical and horizontal IT solutions of the ISVs we can address new markets and clients, and respond even better to the individual needs of companies," says Robert Helgerth, Director of Small & Mid-Market Solutions and Partners, and a Member of the Executive Board of Microsoft Deutschland GmbH.

Close co-operation with Microsoft through the partner programme, provides ISVs with rapid access to new technology platforms and expertise from Microsoft. This lead, in terms of knowledge and innovation, guarantees them a pioneering role in the market.

"We look forward to working even more intensively with Microsoft in future. In that way we will be able to offer our clients solutions based on the latest Microsoft technology at all times. The "Microsoft Gold Certified Partner" seal of quality verifies the numerous projects already implemented to the satisfaction of our clients, as well as the top-class specialist skills of our employees," says Jürgen Obermann, CEO of GFT inboxx GmbH.

GFT inboxx is a subsidiary of GFT Technologies AG. The GFT Group has a total of 1,100 employees at locations in Germany, Brazil, the UK, France, India, Switzerland and Spain.

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About GFT inboxx GmbH

As a leading European provider of solutions for e-mail archiving, GFT inboxx GmbH combines extensive experience in the archiving sector with in-depth know-how of the regulatory requirements and compliance.

GFT inboxx has 20 years of experience in the archiving field and already can look back on more than 1500 successful installations worldwide. The company offers its customers a best-in-class service from the European development and service centre in Hamburg.

The company, with its headquarters in Hamburg, was founded in 1980 and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of GFT Technologies AG, an internationally leading IT service provider with sales of more than EUR 247 million (2007). Via the parent company, GFT inboxx GmbH has access to a worldwide network of locations and around 1,100 IT experts.

For more information about GFT inboxx GmbH visit www.gftinboxx.com.

The GFT Group share (WKN 580 050) is listed in the Prime Standard on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and is a member of the GEX (German Entrepreneurial Index). For more information about the GFT Group visit www.gft.com.

About Microsoft Deutschland GmbH

Microsoft Deutschland GmbH is a subsidiary of the Microsoft Corporation/Redmond, USA, the worldwide leading manufacturer of standard software, services and solutions with annual sales amounting to 51.1 billion US dollars (fiscal year 2007; 30 June). The German offshoot has been in existence since 1983, and is responsible for the marketing and sales of Microsoft products in Germany. In addition to the company HQ in Unterschleissheim near Munich, Microsoft Deutschland GmbH has six regional offices throughout Germany and employs over 2,200 staff. In conjunction with around 33,000 partner companies, it supports firms in all industries and of all sizes. In May 2003 the European Microsoft Innovation Center (EMIC) was opened in Aachen, with research focussing on IT security, data protection, mobility, mobile applications and web services.

Small & Mid-Market Solutions and Partner Organisation

Microsoft's Small & Mid-Market Solutions and Partner Organisation supports the sale of business applications to small and medium-sized companies, as well as subsidiaries of major corporations, through the Microsoft Partner Network. The aim of the organisation is to offer business clients integrated IT solutions that interlock with and support the user's business processes, and assist in the productive application of information technology within the company. These solutions include server products from Microsoft, the Microsoft Office System and Windows Vista. The company also sells ERP and CRM solutions for these target groups, under the umbrella brand "Microsoft Dynamics". These applications enable the universal automation of business processes between employees, clients, suppliers and partners.

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