NIKKI BAELL: Hello and welcome everybody to our On Demand Video Series focusing on the INTIENT Platform. Today, we’re going to look at the INTIENT Network.

I’m Nikki Baell and I’ll be facilitating our conversation between Rahul, our European Lead for INTIENT and Kevin, the Network Lead on a global basis. Today, Kevin and Rahul will discuss the hurdles that biopharma companies are facing as we try to connect data and insights across the industry and how our network is helping to do that.

We will also look at how INTIENT’s platform enables collaboration, continuity, flow of information across the enterprise to help provide the right data, at the right time, to the right team. I’d now like to handover to Rahul.

RAHUL KABRA: Thanks, Nikki, very much appreciate it and good to speak with you all. So, let me just place the INTIENT Network in the context of our INTIENT strategy. So one of the key principles that we have when designing INTIENT and the INTIENT Platform is that we wanted it to be open and accessible. And that’s because one of the key challenges that I think we face, our clients face, is finding the balance between going deep with certain technologies in order to extract the maximum value from a particular technology and whilst at the same time, looking at using all the best of breed applications and content and access to data that exists out there.

And so, what we’ve done with INTIENT as a design principle is really how I like to categorize it is bring the best of both worlds with what we’re doing with our partnership with Google and with the INTIENT Network.

And with our partnership with Google, we’re really bringing the best of Google native technologies into the INTIENT Platform and we’re using that to power our INTIENT product suites and create an integrated end-to-end connected system.

At the same time, we’re also enabling our clients to access a very broad range and wealth of third party products and services that we’re providing through the INTIENT Network. And so, in this way, we’re really bringing the best of both and enabling clients to overcome that hurdle of having to make the decision about where to leverage the best technology and go deep with certain technologies to leverage those native technologies and combining them with the right suite of applications and services for their needs.

So moving on, if we think about the vision that we’ve set out for the INTIENT Network, we really wanted it to be something that enables users of the INTIENT Platform to adopt high value solutions from a curated set of Accenture partners.

And let’s think about what that means. Accenture invests a great deal in the development of its ecosystem and in working with Google, we wanted to work with a core partner that shared value in bringing together a wide range of partners and really pairing that from a core set of best of breed technologies. And so, we really want to make sure that as part of our vision for the network, we enable clients to work with the network and work with INTIENT in the way that most suits them and fits with the strategy and with the investments that clients are making.

So let me tell you a little bit more about what that actually means. And I like to think of this in three different ways in which you can think about leveraging the network, through integration, acceleration and this idea of evolving or evolution. So let me talk about each of these. Integration. So at its core, what we want to be able to do is allow clients to be able to leverage the power of INTIENT and the core INTIENT
platform and the product suites, but also to be able to easily integrate and connect INTIENT with your existing investments in applications, hardware, content and data. And to enable all of those investments within your IT landscape to leverage the power of INTIENT.

And so, what we’ve done with the INTIENT Network and working with the partners that are in the network, is enabling you to be able to connect those very easily through the set of services that we’ve enabled in the product suites. The second is around acceleration and one of the things that we’ve done is we’ve looked very carefully at the core technologies that we need to enable our INTIENT Platform and the product suites, working with Google Cloud where we can, but also, working with a range of other partners that provide complementary capabilities. And so, what we’ve done is we’ve embedded a number of those partners into the core INTIENT Platform and product suites. And so, by doing that, we’re enabling clients to very quickly accelerate the results they get from working with that combination of partners that we’ve pre-curated and embedded into the INTENT Platform. And then finally, around evolution, one of the things that we really want INTENT to do and enable clients to do is to innovate. And we really see the network as a key to innovation and may well be that you have the next big idea that you’re working on and you’re looking to drive innovation perhaps with new content, data or some advanced or even cutting-edge applications.

So what we’ve done with the INTIENT Network is we’ve actually spent a little time working with a lot of leading partners curating and vetting a number of third party offerings and including them in the network. And this offers the clients the opportunity to look at that range of partners or, indeed, look at new ideas and new partners and bring those into the INTIENT Network and use those to either enhance the product suite applications that may be in use or, indeed, create something completely new and innovate using INTIENT as a core platform.

It also offers our partners a great opportunity to work with INTIENT and to have access to a great range of clients and to be able to offer their products and services in new and interesting ways to drive innovation. And so, I’d like to now handover to Kevin Nikitczuk, who’s going to take you through a few more details about how we’re actually structuring our network and the different partnership levels and a few examples of how it’s being used. So over to you, Kevin.

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Thanks for that setup, Rahul, and thanks for the intro, Nikki. As Rahul just mentioned, I’ll walk through a little bit of how we’re enabling that vision that Rahul just spoke on and how we’re delivering that value proposition to our clients, partners and ultimately with the patients.

And so, as you see here, we’ve set up a number of internal processes, procedures, a framework, if you will, to support our mission. We’ve structured different levels of partnerships based on the needs of the platform and clients and I’ll walk through that in a second. We’re supporting different flexible licensing models for partners. And just based on the needs of our clients and the business models of INTIENT itself, we’re streamlining the intake process to make it as quick and easy for clients to become integrated and we’re building a network marketplace. Regarding that marketplace, it’s essentially that. Think of it as an app store with the focus really simplifying access to those curated partners and the ability of those partners to quickly and easily connect to the INTIENT Platform. So to quickly touch on what those different levels look like, here’s a glimpse of that. At the most basic level, what we call a connect level partnership, it’s really about enabling flexibility and choice and speed for both clients and partners alike. Because we are building an open API platform, these partners can easily connect to the INTIENT Platform through KPIs and provide the solutions directly to clients. At a more elevated level, what we call a collaborate level, we’re enabling collaboration with partners to deliver, in addition to the base solutions that their software provides potentially opportunities for business process support and joint development strategies in general. At the highest level of partnerships, what we call core, is really about embedding a partner solution and enabling scale of that solution. And this really allows that partner solution deliver a fundamental capability of the INTIENT Platform.

What does that look like for new partners to be brought in, regardless of what level? But we do have a process in place and is now meant to be strictly a vetting process for partners. But because we want it to be an open system for any partner, whether it’s a client need, an industry need, a patient need, we really want to enable these clients to quickly and easily join the network. And we also want to make sure that the technical integrity is maintained on the platform and also ensure that we have the resources
available to integrate that partner as needed.

And so, what you see here is not an exhaustive list of the different steps and processes involved in bringing in a partner, but letting you know that we have the infrastructure and teams and processes set up to bring in partners.

Let's take a look at what that means in the real world for a quick minute. And if we take a look at the patient product suite and considering the various solutions that they have. Just as a side note, I'd recommend taking a look at their webinar that's posted up on Accenture.com to get a real idea of how the patients product works. They actually have a demo of, I think, this specific situation with integrated patient care.

But if we take a look at the integrative patient care solution and we zoom in on what the patient journey looks like during this step and process, we can see how many and types of partners we are leveraging to deliver that journey. While there are core capabilities, as you see on the bottom there, of partners that are being leveraged for whether it’s data managements, CRM capabilities, authentication purposes, E Signatures, there are very specific partners being brought into deliver unique capabilities required for the patient journey, in this case, for the integrated patient care.

So if we move along the actual journey, for example, when a patient first joins a support program, they’re met actually with a number of E Signature needs or authorization capabilities and so, we partner with specific partners to provide those capabilities.

We also partner with, let’s say, wearables as you see here, also maybe some med device companies, obvious, patients nowadays are provided access to quite a number of different devices and capabilities that they can use along the way.

As the patient continues along their regimented journey, the INTIENT Platform will be collecting that data using various partner analytical tools, data sets and various capabilities provided by our partners.

The platform really process that data and eventually present the information back to both the healthcare providers, the life science researchers and provide great recommendations for the patient where that’s a change in the regiment, an alteration and maybe in the medication, whatever the case may be and,

again, we’re leveraging partners to help deliver some of those solutions, whether it’s email services, text messages and so forth, to really ultimately change the patient outcome for the better.

So, with that, I’ll stop and end with a note of how excited we are. As last I checked closer about 200 different partners and there is no slowing down in sight from what I see and the demand I’m seeing from different products reached through INTIENT who bring in new partners and to provide some great capabilities to our clients and patients.

And somewhere in that combination of partners and the INTIENT Platform is going to be a next great breakthrough for patients. And so, we are all obviously very excited to see what the future holds for that.

So with that, again, I’ll pause and stop and thank you very much for your time and see if there’s any questions.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant, thank you, Kevin. So we have got some questions. We’ve seen this is an on demand webinar, we’ve taken some of our questions that we’ve had posed by our clients and also, some of our partners as well to share on today’s session. So I’ll just go through those with you and the presentation was a really good insight into our INTIENT Network.

So I know that you went into this on one of the slides, however, how do we get new partners into the network or to join our marketplace? What is the process for that?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Yeah, great question. And the first step would be to simply reach out to myself or Rahul or if you already had conversations with one of those INTIENT product suite leads, have them connect you to me and we will pretty easily bring you through that process. It’s a little bit of paperwork, but it’s more just to standardize the process to keep it quick and simple. But it’s really that simple. Just reach out to us and we will get the ball rolling.

I don’t think I mentioned this as I walked through those slides, but we really want this partner ecosystem to be open and agnostic of what solutions and capabilities are within there. So, yeah, any partner that wants to join, feel free, give us a shout and we’ll take it from there.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant. And, Kevin, would that go for say an organization that we’re currently
working with, one of our clients if they are keen to work with an organization, can they introduce to us as well?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Yeah, absolutely. And that’s one of the powers of what we’re trying to build with the network is, while we typically – I shouldn’t say typically, but while we have quite a large number of well-established partners that either come to us independently or we already had been working in the past, quite often, clients come to us with very specific partners or unique solution capabilities that they either need or want. And by all means, yes, we work to integrate them because we want to make sure that the clients are being provided all the necessary tools and capabilities that they need. So most definitely.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant. And your response brings us very nicely onto the next question that we have. So for question two, can you have multiple partners with the same type of technology in the INTIENT Network?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Yeah, absolutely. And, you know, in my prior life, I was with Life Scientist, a bench scientist, and I know full and well that scientists have very specific preferences of what, let’s say, analytical tools they’re using or what visualization software package they use. And so, we want to make sure that it is an open system, that our clients, whether they’re life science researchers or even the patient themselves have access to their desired tools and capabilities, etc. So, yes, by all means we’re not limited to one specific solution or one capability. We want to be able to provide all the needs and desires of our clients.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant, excellent, thank you. So another question for you. How are you handling licensing of partner solutions?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Yeah, great question and it is coming up again and again with our both clients and in partners alike and the old models of subscribing let’s say on a yearly basis or a large license and pinning you down with that license for let’s say a year or multiple years, while that’s still a possibility, our clients – you know, pharmaceutical life science companies are realizing they want more flexibility and they want to be able to maybe test out software packages or be more nimble and have various options of how they license out very specific software and part of solution.

And so, we’re enabling the infrastructure and capabilities to enable that to provide choice for our clients and not just the solution we provide, but how they are licensing those solutions from partners. So it’s maybe possibly all too involved for the context of this conversation, but it’s very flexible and open systems that we are creating.

NIKKI BAELL: Right, okay. And would you refer individuals back to the slide, I think it was Slide 7, where you were showing the different levels of the partnerships, of the connect, collaborate and core. Would that work into this license in question as well?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: Yeah, it definitely does and each level has a different licensing model and a different way that we are providing a fee structure back to the client. So, yes, that starts to touch on it, but even then, for example, at that connect level, these clients have different options of how they license out a partner solution whether that’s a per suite use or usage use, a monthly, yearly, whatever the case may be. So, yeah.

NIKKI BAELL: Okay. So another question for you. So an organization is already a GCP partner, so a Global Cloud Partner, does this make them an INTIENT partner automatically?

KEVIN NIKITCZUK: At this moment of time, unfortunately, not and that definitely does help facilitate their connection into the INTIENT Platform because as it was mentioned the very fact that this is all built on GCP, it definitely helps facilitate that process. But we still want to make sure that their APIs and how they are connecting to the INTIENT Platform is up and running and so forth and it will require very unique setups, etc., so still go through this process. So reach out to us and we will help make that transition possible.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant. Excellent. Thank you very much. Thank you. Rahul, Kevin, before we close out the session, do you have anything to add?

RAHUL KABRA: I think not. For me, Nikki, I think this is great and, obviously, any clients who are interested in learning more about the network and how they can use it as part of the INTIENT Platform we’d be absolutely delighted to talk to them. And, of course, any partners either existing partners working within the Google ecosystem or the broader ecosystem, looking to work with us, again, very happy to look at bringing new partners in and being able to offer up the best of
the services and capabilities that we can as part of INTIENT.

NIKKI BAELL: Brilliant, excellent. Kevin, Rahul, thank you very much for spending time with me today. It’s been a really, really good session and I, for one, have learned a lot.

For anybody listening to the call, if you do want to learn more about our INTIENT Network and the INTIENT Platform as a whole, please do feel free to reach out to any of the contacts at the end of the video and we’ll be able to provide you with the information.

Thank you.