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ACCENTURE AND AVANADE NAMED MICROSOFT 2016 ALLIANCE PARTNER OF THE YEAR AND 2016 COUNTRY PARTNER OF THE YEAR IN SINGAPORE

SINGAPORE - June 06, 2016: Accenture (NYSE: ACN) and [Avanade](#) have been recognised by Microsoft as Alliance Partner of the Year for the ninth consecutive year and twelfth time overall, as well as the 2016 Country Partner of the Year in Singapore.

As voted by Microsoft global sales, Accenture and Avanade received Microsoft's Alliance Partner of the Year award for demonstrating business excellence and customer satisfaction in delivering innovative Microsoft solutions. The award recognises Accenture and Avanade's deep industry and technology expertise, and the companies' ability to help customers realise results with digital, cloud-based solutions. Together, Accenture and Avanade have collaborated on more than 10,000 Microsoft-based business and public service projects for more than 4,000 global clients.

The [Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards](#) recognise Microsoft partners that have developed and delivered exceptional Microsoft-based solutions during the past year. The Accenture-Avanade-Microsoft alliance offers the valuable combination of market-leading technologies, industry expertise and delivery skills that result in more effective and efficient technology delivered at a lower cost. Avanade has 23 Microsoft Gold Partner Network Competencies, and Avanade and Accenture together have more than 24,000 certifications in Microsoft technology.

"The Accenture-Avanade-Microsoft alliance brings together the talent required to help our mutual customers thrive in a mobile-first, cloud-first world," said Victor Morales, vice president, Microsoft Enterprise Partners. "With Accenture's deep business and industry expertise, Avanade's world-class digital innovation and Microsoft's market-leading enterprise technology, these awards represent clear recognition of the business value and innovation that the alliance is delivering to our joint customers."

Accenture and Avanade awarded Microsoft Country Partner of the Year Award in Singapore

The Microsoft Country Partner of the Year Award recognises Accenture and Avanade's deep industry and technology expertise, and the companies' commitment and local investments to help clients in Singapore realise results, with a particular emphasis on digital and cloud innovation.

“Singapore companies competing in today’s mobile-first, cloud-first era can no longer rely on traditional business models, and are turning to digital and cloud to transform how they work, engage with customers, and drive new revenue models,” said Kevin Wo, Senior Vice President and General Manager, ASEAN, at Avanade. “Every day at Avanade, we innovate with passion and purpose to help our clients transform their businesses through the power of the Microsoft ecosystem, so we are delighted to be recognised as Microsoft Country Partner of the Year in Singapore.”

“This recognition is a testament of Accenture’s leadership position in Microsoft technologies and commitment to delivering value for our clients in Singapore by helping them transform their businesses,” said Sam Liew, Managing Director, Accenture Technology Lead, ASEAN. “The “power of three” relationship between Accenture, Microsoft and Avanade has been instrumental in delivering leading Microsoft solutions on Azure, Office 365, Xamarin and Power BI. These solutions have helped clients gain a competitive advantage in the rapidly changing business landscape.”

About Accenture

Accenture is a leading global professional services company, providing a broad range of services and solutions in strategy, consulting, digital, technology and operations. Combining unmatched experience and specialized skills across more than 40 industries and all business functions – underpinned by the world’s largest delivery network – Accenture works at the intersection of business and technology to help clients improve their performance and create sustainable value for their stakeholders. With approximately 373,000 people serving clients in more than 120 countries, Accenture drives innovation to improve the way the world works and lives. Visit us at www.accenture.com.

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Avanade is the leading provider of innovative digital and cloud services, business solutions and design-led experiences delivered through the power of people and the Microsoft ecosystem. Our professionals combine technology, business and industry expertise to build and deploy solutions to realise results for our clients and their customers. Avanade has 29,000 digitally connected people across 23 countries, bringing clients the best thinking through a collaborative culture that honours diversity and reflects the communities in which we operate. Majority owned by Accenture, Avanade was founded in 2000 by Accenture LLP and Microsoft Corporation. Learn more at www.avanade.com/zh-sg.

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