

## Accenture and Avanade Named Microsoft 2020 Global Alliance SI Partner of the Year for 15<sup>th</sup> Time

Companies recognized with eight total awards based on commitment to customers, solutions' impact on the market, and exemplary use of Microsoft technologies.

SEATTLE; July 13, 2020 – [Accenture](#) (NYSE: ACN) and [Avanade](#) have been named the **Microsoft Global Alliance SI Partner of the Year** for the 15<sup>th</sup> time. Voted for by the Microsoft field organization, Accenture and Avanade [have been recognized](#) with a total of eight awards in 2020 for demonstrating excellence in innovation and implementation of customer solutions based on Microsoft technology.

In addition to Alliance SI Partner of the Year, Accenture and Avanade have been named:

- **Global AI and Machine Learning Partner of the Year**
- **Global Connected Field Service Partner of the Year**
- **Global DevOps Partner of the Year**
- **Global Modern Workplace for Firstline Workers Partner of the Year Award**
- **Global Healthcare Partner of the Year**
- **Australia Country Partner of the Year**
- **France Country Partner of the Year**

“Being named ‘Microsoft Alliance SI Partner of the Year’ for a record fifteenth year is an honor, and a terrific testament to our longstanding strategic partnership and the exceptional work of our unified teams in driving highly successful digital transformations for clients around the world,” said Emma McGuigan, senior managing director and global lead for the Accenture Microsoft Business Group. “Every day, Accenture and Avanade co-develop solutions for clients that are powered by Microsoft technologies and services, and we look forward to collaborating with Microsoft on many more projects in the future.”

Accenture and Avanade are also finalists for the **Government; Modernize Finance and Operations; Power Apps and Power Automate; Retail; and SAP on Azure - Global Partner of the Year** categories, underscoring the companies' all-round performance and impact.

“We couldn't be more delighted to be the recipient of eight Microsoft Partner of the Year awards particularly in this, our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary year,” said Pam Maynard, chief executive officer of Avanade. “With the world's largest community of Microsoft skilled professionals, Avanade and Accenture are uniquely positioned to help our clients tap into the power of Microsoft technologies as they build resilience for the future.”

“Our partnership with Accenture and Avanade has really accelerated over the past year,” said Judson Althoff, executive vice president, Worldwide Commercial Business at Microsoft. “These awards recognize the significant progress we have made together as we continue to digitally transform companies around the world.”

Together, Accenture and Avanade have delivered more than 35,000 Microsoft projects for more than 12,000 clients across over 20 industries around the world. The companies have been named Microsoft Alliance Partner of the Year 15 times, more than any other partner.

### About Accenture

Accenture is a leading global professional services company, providing a broad range of services in strategy and consulting, interactive, technology and operations, with digital capabilities across all of these services. We combine unmatched experience and specialized capabilities across more than 40 industries — powered by the world's largest network of Advanced Technology and Intelligent Operations centers. With 513,000 people serving clients in more than 120 countries, Accenture brings continuous innovation to help clients improve their performance and create lasting value across their enterprises. Visit us at [www.accenture.com](http://www.accenture.com).

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Avanade is the leading provider of innovative digital and cloud services, business solutions and designed experiences delivered through the power of people and the Microsoft ecosystem. Our professionals bring bold, fresh thinking combined with technology, business and industry expertise to help fuel transformation and growth for our clients and their customers. Avanade has 38,000 digitally connected people across 25 countries, bringing clients the best thinking through a collaborative culture that honors 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](http://www.avanade.com).

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