

Avanade named Microsoft Ireland Country Partner of the Year 2021

The Global SI was recognised for the scale and complexity of its digital transformation projects and its work within the field of security in Ireland

DUBLIN, 8 July 2021 — Avanade, the leading digital innovator on the Microsoft ecosystem, has been named Microsoft's **Ireland Country Partner of the Year**. Voted for by the Microsoft field organisation, the company was honored among a global field of top Microsoft partners for demonstrating excellence in innovation and implementation of customer solutions based on Microsoft technology.

"Receiving this award is a great honour and testament to the innovative solutions our teams deliver to our clients every day. We pride ourselves on how we help them transform their organisations and differentiate themselves from their competitors," said *Graham Healy*, country manager of Avanade Ireland. "Being recognised as Ireland country Partner of the Year just three years after opening our first office here makes it even more special. We're particularly proud of the growth of our security practice, which has enabled Irish businesses to continue to operate securely and collaboratively during the pandemic."

The Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards recognise Microsoft partners who have developed and delivered outstanding Microsoft-based solutions during the past year. Awards were classified in various categories, with honorees chosen from a set of more than 4,400 submitted nominations from more than 100 countries worldwide. Avanade was recognised for its focus on making a genuine human impact through the power of its people and the Microsoft ecosystem. Notably, Avanade has grown its strategic partnership with Microsoft Ireland this year, working together on new opportunities with several key clients.

"I am honored to announce the winners and finalists of the 2021 Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards," said Rodney Clark, corporate vice president, Global Partner Solutions, Channel Sales and Channel Chief, Microsoft. "These remarkable partners have displayed a deep commitment to building world-class solutions for customers—from cloud-to-edge—and represent some of the best and brightest our ecosystem has to offer."

In addition to the Ireland award, Avanade was recognised jointly with Accenture, as the Global Alliance SI Partner of the Year, for a record 16th time. The companies were also named winner in an additional seven categories, including:

- Automotive Partner of the Year
- Dynamics 365 Customer Insights Partner of the Year
- Dynamics 365 Customer Service Partner of the Year
- Dynamics 365 Supply Chain Management & Finance Partner of the Year

- Employee Experience Partner of the Year
- SAP on Azure Partner of the Year
- Canada Country Partner of the Year

About Avanade

Avanade is the leading provider of innovative digital and cloud services, business solutions and design-led experiences on the Microsoft ecosystem. Our professionals bring bold, fresh thinking combined with technology, business and industry expertise to help make a genuine human impact on our clients, their customers and their employees. We are the power behind the Accenture Microsoft Business Group, helping companies to engage customers, empower employees, optimise operations and transform products, leveraging the Microsoft platform. Avanade has 44,000 professionals in 25 countries, bringing clients our 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 <http://www.avanade.com/>.