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Avanade Steps Up Its Expansion Plans In Europe With The Acquisition Of Kabel, A Major Digital Transformation Solution Provider In Spain

Clients will benefit from Kabel's leading expertise on cloud, with an emphasis on AI, data and application development

Seattle/Madrid; May 27, 2022— Avanade, the leading Microsoft solutions provider and an Accenture and Microsoft joint venture, today announced it has acquired Kabel, a leading Spanish digital transformation solution provider and key Microsoft partner. Kabel's capabilities in multi-cloud, artificial intelligence, data and application development will further bolster Avanade's already strong position in Spain and wider Europe. This is Avanade's fifth European acquisition in three years.

The acquisition will strengthen Avanade's business, expertise and capabilities across the entire spectrum of digital technologies, with a particular emphasis on data and AI, cloud infrastructure and management, software development and applications. With the addition of Kabel's almost 300 professionals, the combined team will offer the Spanish market broad and deep expertise in customized, end-to-end business transformative solutions in all industry segments.

"Kabel has garnered a solid reputation as being a bold, agile partner that can design innovative, highly complex solutions that drive business transformation," said Silvia Vidal, Avanade Iberia General Manager. "Its close relationship with clients, employees, Microsoft and other partners, is one Avanade deeply respects. We value their skills and experience, which will extend our ability to make a genuine human impact for our Spanish clients and their customers."

"Kabel has experienced strong growth in recent years due to the rapid increase in demand for transformative solutions, achieving a market leadership position in this type of solutions, as well as recognition as a Gold Microsoft partner with fourteen Gold competencies and five advanced specializations," commented José Ramón Barriocanal, Kabel CEO.

"In order to continue growing in a sustained and sustainable way, it is necessary to have the best travel companions. Avanade shares our values and its relationship with Accenture will allow us to take on even more complex projects and offer our clients a broader range of technologies and solutions, while continuing our commitment to helping our clients improve society through technology," added Alfredo Rivela, Founder and President of Kabel.

Financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

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Avanade is the leading provider of innovative digital, cloud and advisory services, industry solutions and design-led experiences across the Microsoft ecosystem. Every day, our 56,000 professionals in 26 countries make a genuine human impact for our clients, their employees and their customers.

Avanade has been recognized jointly, with its parent Accenture, as Microsoft's Global SI Partner of the Year more than any other company. With the most Microsoft certifications (60,000+) and 18 (out of 18) Gold-level Microsoft competencies, we are uniquely positioned to help businesses grow and solve their toughest challenges.

We are a people first company, committed to providing an inclusive workplace where employees feel comfortable being their authentic selves. As a responsible business, we are building a sustainable world and helping young people from underrepresented communities fulfill their potential.

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