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## AVANADE DEVELOPS CLOUD-BASED DIGITAL WORKPLACE SOLUTION WITH ANTARES CAPITAL

Modernized collaboration tools help drive faster innovation, improve productivity and boost employee satisfaction

CHICAGO/SEATTLE – January 26, 2017 – Avanade today announced that it is working with Antares Capital, a leading financing solutions provider, to develop and deploy a cloud-based digital workplace solution designed to foster collaboration and efficiency. The new managed services operating model frees up IT resources to focus on innovative projects that will drive growth, increase revenue and enhance customer satisfaction.

The digital workplace solution leverages Microsoft Office 365 and Microsoft Azure and empowers employees with tools including Skype for Business, Outlook, SharePoint, and OneDrive – all available on any device at any time and eliminating cumbersome accessibility touchpoints.



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"As a standalone business that was divested from GE in August 2015, we had the opportunity to create a full cloud-based organization supported by managed services," said Mary Cecola, chief information officer at Antares Capital. "Avanade's depth of expertise in the Microsoft ecosystem, coupled with their knowledge of the financial services industry, helped us manage our day-to day IT services while building a technology-forward infrastructure. As a result, our IT professionals can spend more time on strategic initiatives, providing a strong and secure foundation for our business to grow."

More than 3,000 of Avanade's 29,000 professionals worldwide have worked with 300+ financial services firms worldwide, including seven of the top 10 largest banks worldwide.

"We are delighted to be working with Antares Capital to help them increase collaboration, productivity and deliver at the speed expected from a truly digital workplace. By leveraging a cloud-first model, Antares Capital is 'future-proofing' its IT infrastructure to be scalable and flexible to meet the growing needs of the company," said Ronald White, Avanade regional executive for the central region.

Discover how Avanade helps organizations digitally transform into the workplace of tomorrow.

## **About Avanade**

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 realize 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 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.

## **About Antares Capital**

Antares Capital is a leading provider of financing solutions for middle-market, private equity-backed transactions with offices in Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, Norwalk (Connecticut) and Toronto. Antares has facilitated more than \$120 billion in financing over the past five years. Antares was named 2015 Dealmakers of the Year and 2014 Lender of the Year by Mergers & Acquisitions. Visit us at <a href="https://www.twitter.com/antarescapital">www.antares.com</a> or follow Antares Capital on Twitter at <a href="https://www.twitter.com/antarescapital">https://www.twitter.com/antarescapital</a>. Antares Capital is a subsidiary of Antares Holdings LP.

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