

## News Release

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## Avanade wins Microsoft 20/20 Zero Trust Champion Security award

With security a hot topic across global boardrooms, Avanade recognized for helping clients protect against increasing cyber threats.

**Seattle, May 17, 2021** – Avanade, the leading digital innovator on the Microsoft ecosystem, has won the Microsoft Zero Trust Champion award in recognition for its work helping clients accelerate their Zero Trust strategy.

The Microsoft Security 20/20 awards, presented online on May 12<sup>th</sup>, -honor partners who align with Microsoft's focus on customer obsession and have developed innovative, integrated solutions during the past year—helping Microsoft realize its "security for all" vision.

Avanade was recognized for helping clients accelerate their Zero Trust strategies. One example of this was helping a global consumer brand implement a Zero Trust environment while preparing for divesture from its parent company. Centred on Zero Trust principles and powered by Microsoft 365 Security and Azure Security, Avanade helped to completely secure its new infrastructure and assets.

"The topic of security continues to be elevated in the boardroom against a backdrop of more sophisticated attacks. At Avanade, we embrace the responsibility of keeping our clients, their businesses, and customers safe. Our focus on security has never been greater and we've been helping our clients navigate complex challenges such as the SolarWinds breach, maintaining compliance and securing remote working," says Avanade Security Executive Chris Miller.

As Microsoft becomes a more critical platform for businesses, Avanade is continuing to invest in its capabilities and its people, pushing the boundaries when it comes to attracting new talent. The newly created Avanade Cybersecurity Institute will give IT professionals the opportunity to learn from the best and become a certified cybersecurity consultant in eight weeks.

Avanade is a founding member of the Microsoft Intelligent Security Association (MISA), an ecosystem of independent software vendors and managed security service providers that have integrated with Microsoft Security to better defend against a world of increasing cybersecurity threats.

This is the second consecutive year that Avanade been recognized with a Microsoft Security 20/20 award, having won the Security Advisory (Partner) of the Year award in 2020.



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