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News Release

Avanade becomes first global system integrator to achieve GitHub Advanced Services & Channel partner accreditation

Clients will benefit from reduced time to market, improved developer collaboration and secure, cloud-ready code through the GitHub Enterprise platform

LONDON – June 10, 2020 – Avanade, the leading digital innovator on the Microsoft ecosystem, has become the first global systems integrator to be verified as a GitHub Advanced Services & Channel Partner, providing its clients access to GitHub’s Enterprise platform. GitHub is the largest developer community and platform in the world, home to most of the world’s open source projects.

Today’s announcement follows [recent research](#) from Avanade showing 52% of organisations think people and skills issues are the biggest obstacle to adopting modern software engineering practices in-house. With access to GitHub’s Enterprise platform, Avanade clients will benefit from open source without needing to share propriety code outside of their organization. The result is reduced time to market for business-critical development projects. This is especially critical in today’s environment when cost containment and optimization are [top priorities](#) for organisations.

In addition, Avanade’s clients will get access to GitHub’s mission-critical tools, ideal for modern software organizations, including source code security, development insights and analytics, open source and InnerSource management. Reduced software development times and the ability to create code that is always cloud-ready with any security vulnerabilities picked up automatically are some of the advantages of this relationship. Enterprise developers will be able to work within a private environment but also connect with outside developers as they look to build more human-centric products.

“GitHub is where all developers want to be,” said Craig Wood, Executive, Software Engineering at Avanade. “There is a skills crisis worldwide, with corporations desperately looking for developer talent. With 50 million developers, GitHub and its Enterprise platform enables organizations to bring developer experience in house, and we at Avanade can help bring the expertise to ensure large organisations benefit from it. Our validation acknowledges this. Businesses are looking to leverage skills from outside their organisation with what they have internally to maximise creativity and bring innovation to future digital product development, joined up with code they can keep secure and own.”

“As the first global systems integrator to be verified as a GitHub Advanced Services & Channel Partner, Avanade will help us roll out GitHub Enterprise at the scale that large companies need,” said Leon Jones, Head of Partner and Channel at GitHub. “GitHub and Avanade share a similar goal of



modernizing software development and bringing world-class tools to customers. We look forward to partnering with them and their clients to provide enterprise-ready products and services.”

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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 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, optimize operations and transform products, leveraging the Microsoft platform. Avanade has 38,000 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 www.avanade.com.

About GitHub

[GitHub](https://github.com) is the developer company. As the home to more than 50 million developers from across the globe, GitHub is where developers can create, share, and ship the best code possible. GitHub makes it easier to work together, solve challenging problems, and create the world’s most important technologies.