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AVANADE CELEBRATES 15 YEARS OF SUCCESS; WELCOMES SANDER VAN 'T NOORDENDE TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DEEPENS ITS FOCUS ON DIGITAL BUSINESS AND INNOVATION

SEATTLE – March 19, 2015 – <u>Avanade</u>, a global business technology solutions, cloud and managed services provider, announced today that <u>Sander van 't</u> <u>Noordende</u>, group chief executive of Accenture's Products operating group, has joined the Avanade <u>Board of Directors</u>. The announcement comes as the company celebrates being one of the most successful business joint ventures with 15 years of helping enterprise clients and their customers realize results on the Microsoft ecosystem.

As group chief executive, Sander is responsible for Accenture's Products operating group, which serves large enterprises in the automotive, consumer goods & services, industrial equipment, infrastructure & transportation services, life sciences, retail and air, freight & travel services. These high growth industries represent some of the most important digital business transformation areas given the critical nature of customer experience and engagement.

Avanade will benefit from Sander's experience leading large-scale business transformation and IT projects for Accenture clients across diverse industries on a global scale. He has been with the company for 28 years and has held a number of senior leadership positions, as well as serving as a member of Accenture's Global Management Committee. During this time, Sander has also partnered extensively with Avanade on joint client activities.

"We are committed to continuing the growth and success of Avanade as we further increase the depth of our digital services business enabled by cloud," said Adam Warby, Avanade CEO. "Sander is an excellent addition to the Avanade Board and brings a wealth of business acumen and enthusiasm to this new role."

"I am honored to join the Avanade Board of Directors," said Mr. van 't Noordende. "I've enjoyed watching Avanade grow and thrive over the past 15 years and I look forward to playing a more active role to help enterprises embrace digital solutions and realize results with business transformation."

The Avanade board members include <u>Paul Daugherty</u>, Accenture chief technology officer; <u>Susan Hauser</u>, Microsoft corporate vice president, Enterprise and Partner Group; <u>Grant Ireland</u>, Accenture Technology group finance director; <u>Michael Salvino</u>, Accenture group chief executive of Accenture Operations; and <u>Adam</u> <u>Warby</u>, Avanade CEO.

About Avanade

Avanade helps customers realize results in a digital world through business technology solutions, cloud and managed services that combine insight, innovation and expertise focused on Microsoft technologies. Our people have helped thousands of organizations in all industries improve business agility, employee productivity and customer loyalty. Avanade combines the collective business, technical and industry expertise of its worldwide network of experts with the rigor of an industrialized delivery model to provide high quality solutions using proven and emerging technologies with flexible deployment models—on premises, cloud-based or outsourced. Avanade, which is majority owned by Accenture, was founded in 2000 by Accenture LLP and Microsoft Corporation and has 23,000 professionals in more than 20 countries. Additional information can be found at www.avanade.com.

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