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AVANADE RECOGNIZED AS A MICROSOFT SECURITY 20/20 PARTNER AWARD WINNER FOR SECURITY ADVISORY

SEATTLE, WA. — **March 26, 2020** — <u>Avanade</u>, the leading digital innovator on the Microsoft ecosystem, has been named this year's Microsoft Security 20/20 award winner in the Security Advisory category. The company was honored among a global field of top Microsoft partners for demonstrating excellence in innovation, integration, and customer implementation with Microsoft technology.

At the inaugural Microsoft Security 20/20 partner awards, Microsoft announced award winners in 16 categories that span security integration partners, system integrators and managed security service providers.

"We're thrilled to receive this award in the same year we were among the very first firms that earned Microsoft's gold level competency in security," said Chris Miller, Avanade's Global Security Practice Lead. "Security is one of the most critical factors of a successful digital transformation. Our comprehensive approach to an effective security strategy and implementation puts people at the heart of it – securing the workplace for your employees and protecting your customers' data to build trust."

"Solving our mutual customers' security challenges is very much a team sport," said Andrew Conway, General Manager, Security Product Marketing, Microsoft Corp. "We are pleased to recognize these leaders in the ecosystem at Microsoft's inaugural security awards."

Only through collaborations can organizations help customers get clarity and become more secure. The security ecosystem must work together to create a vision for the future where people, information, and companies are made safer. Microsoft Security 20/20 provides an opportunity to honor Microsoft partners that have developed and delivered exceptional Microsoft-based solutions and services during the past year.

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