

## Corporate News as of September 17, 2008

### **Microsoft selects n.runs as a member of the new program Microsoft Secure Development Lifecycle Pro Network**

- +++ n.runs AG exclusive member of Microsoft SDL Pro Network**
- +++ Only member of the MS SDL Pro Network on the European mainland**
- +++ Medium-term contribution to revenues in excess of 10 percent planned**

Oberursel, September 17, 2008: The listed IT consultant and software manufacturer n.runs AG is the only training and consulting company on the European mainland to be exclusively admitted to the Microsoft SDL Pro Network Program by the world's largest software group Microsoft.

The Secure Development Lifecycle (SDL) is a program for the secure development of software and products. Reducing security relevant architecture and design flaws as well as insecure implementations by not using secure coding practices is at the heart of the standard. The partner program that Microsoft's has initiated (MS SDL Pro Network) aims to help other companies to use the high SDL standard that has been established by Microsoft. This means that Microsoft is pushing the company's key principle of "Trustworthy Computing" announced by Bill Gates in 2002. To date, more than 20,000 Microsoft developers, testers and program managers have taken part in SDL training. The official launch of the program is scheduled for Tech·Ed EMEA 2008 in Barcelona on November 10, 2008.

n.runs AG has been working for Microsoft on security consulting engagements since 2004. In addition to conducting technical due diligence n.runs security experts was part of the team that evaluated the Windows Vista operating system for security issues. As a result of its comprehensive expertise in IT security, n.runs AG was chosen as one of two exclusive Microsoft SDL training and consulting vendors in Europe. Nine IT providers from around the world were included in the network for the first year pilot phase. n.runs AG is going to be providing SDL consulting and training services. As a result of increasing requirements for secure development programs and programmers who are trained in secure coding practices, n.runs AG is expecting an increase in training and consulting revenues that over time could potentially run into the millions. In the medium-term the new SDL services are expected to contribute more than 10 percent to total revenues.

"The Microsoft SDL Pro Network emphasizes shift that has been ongoing in the software development industry toward higher security for IT applications. Thanks to our new business activity, Microsoft SDL Pro Network, we are going to be benefitting from increasing security standards in the IT market as one of the exclusive partners of the program. Even today we are one of the first companies to offer the entire range when it comes to SDL services. We are expecting additional annual revenues from our new business unit that could be in the millions. In addition to that, we are going to be sharpening the image of n.runs thanks to our exclusive involvement in the Microsoft network which will undoubtedly set us apart from our competitors and have positive spill-over effects in the other areas of our high end consulting and product business," explains Andreas Bruns, CEO of n.runs AG.

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About n.runs AG:

n.runs AG, founded in 2001, is a multivendor provider of independent consulting in the area of IT security, IT infrastructure and IT business consulting. The services offered pursue an integral approach thus comprising audit/assessment, design, support for the application of latest technology, process consulting and finally, a transfer of knowledge to the customer. During 2007, the business model was expanded to include the IT applications field with the first successful in-house development and release of the Application Protection System – Anti Virus (aps-AV) security solution, which was especially developed for the protection and centralisation of antivirus infrastructures within companies. With 49 employees, the company generated sales of € 5.48 million in 2007. n.runs AG is listed on the Entry Standard of the Deutsche Börse AG (German Stock Exchange) since December 21, 2006.