

Citrix and Palo Alto Networks Team to Securely Deliver Applications over Next-Generation Networks

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Partnership to Accelerate Cloud Networking Architectures to Meet Growing Demand among Enterprise Customers

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Oct. 3, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Palo Alto Networks today announced a multi-phase partnership with Citrix that brings together leading network security and application delivery capabilities. In response to strong market demand, Palo Alto Networks and Citrix will deliver jointly validated solutions that are designed to simplify how enterprises accelerate application delivery on next-generation networks.

As businesses embrace mobility, consumerization and desktop virtualization, IT organizations are looking for ways to transform their networks into an end-to-end cloud delivery platform, making it easy for employees to safely access any application from any device or location.

It is this shared vision for how enterprises can best evolve towards cloud networks that has inspired Palo Alto Networks and Citrix to align product development plans to capture the power of flexible next-generation platforms. Additionally, the two companies are collaborating across technical support teams, consulting organizations, and partner communities to coordinate the introduction of joint solutions for mutual customers. This partnership will provide the right technologies to deliver applications with cloud-level scalability but without compromising on security, high performance or availability of critical data and applications.

Palo Alto Networks brings to the partnership next-generation firewall technology that gives organizations the ability to identify, control, and safely enable applications while at the same time inspecting all content for all threats in real time. Citrix NetScaler® delivers complementary network capabilities to deliver any business application, cloud service or virtual desktop with the fastest performance and highest availability. When used together, the two companies deliver native application intelligence, template-based management and high performance to optimize the delivery of any application to any user.

As part of today's announcement, Citrix and Palo Alto Networks have agreed on a multi-phase relationship starting with validated joint solutions for virtual application and desktop virtualization solutions Citrix XenApp® and Citrix XenDesktop®, as well as popular enterprise applications. Customers will be able to avoid complex, piecemeal solutions, and alternatively use guidelines and expert resources from two industry leaders to design a next-generation network infrastructure that achieves availability, security, performance, flexibility and visibility. In the near term, the two companies will back these solutions with global support for enterprise customers and channel partners.

For more information on today's announcement, visit: http://www.citrix.com/tv/#videos/6574.

Supporting Quotes

Zeeshan Sabir, Senior Director, IT, Qualcomm

"Citrix NetScaler and Palo Alto Networks are providing solutions and a vision that clearly complement each other. We look forward to deploying the two company's solutions more tightly and continue superior leverage while simplifying and scaling our data center and next generation cloud architectures."

Vid Sista, Director, Network & Security Practice, Accudata Systems

"This partnership comes at a very opportune time given that many of our customers are currently rethinking their network architectures. Enterprise customers look to us to bring together solutions that will give them the best in performance, availability, and security, which is exactly what this partnership is committed to providing."

Rene Bonvanie, Chief Marketing Officer, Palo Alto Networks

"Citrix and Palo Alto Networks share a common vision for how networks are evolving. There's synergy in bringing these two technologies together to deliver next-generation cloud network solutions."

Sunil Potti, Vice President and General Manager, NetScaler Product Group, Citrix

"Palo Alto Networks and Citrix have already established strong, but independent, positions in leading cloud-first network solutions. Our alliance will provide customers with the freedom to leverage the leading advanced delivery controller and firewall solutions without compromising on integration, simplification and consolidation."

About Palo Alto Networks

Palo Alto NetworksTM (NYSE: PANW) is the network security company. Its innovative platform allows enterprises, service providers, and government entities to secure their networks and safely enable the increasingly complex and rapidly growing number of applications running on their networks. The core of Palo Alto Networks' platform is its Next-Generation Firewall, which delivers application, user, and content visibility and control integrated within the firewall through its proprietary hardware and software architecture. Palo Alto Networks' products and services can address a broad range of network security requirements, from the data center to the network perimeter, as well as the distributed enterprise, which includes branch offices and a growing number of mobile devices. Palo Alto Networks' products are used by more than 9,000 customers in over 100 countries. For more information, visit www.paloaltonetworks.com.

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Citrix (NASDAQ:CTXS) transforms how businesses and IT work and people collaborate in the cloud era. With market-leading cloud, collaboration, networking and virtualization technologies, Citrix powers mobile workstyles and cloud services, making complex enterprise IT simpler and more

accessible for 260,000 organizations. Citrix products touch 75 percent of Internet users each day and it partners with more than 10,000 companies in 100 countries. Annual revenue in 2011 was \$2.21 billion. Learn more at www.citrix.com.

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