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AVANADE COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF AZALEOS

Acquisition Grows Avanade's Managed Services Capability and Gives Enterprises Broader Range of Delivery Options for Microsoft Technologies

SEATTLE – Dec. 18, 2012 – <u>Avanade®</u>, a global business technology solutions and managed services provider, today announced it has completed its acquisition of Azaleos Corporation. Azaleos is a leader in managed services for Microsoft® Exchange, SharePoint® and Lync®. It uses advanced software to remotely monitor and manage email, collaboration, and unified communications systems.

The acquisition broadens the portfolio of public and private cloud services that Avanade offers enterprise customers, helping it meet the increasing demand for cloud-based Microsoft communications and collaboration managed services.

Adam Warby, Avanade CEO, said, "Avanade's acquisition of Azaleos builds on our ability to offer customers a choice of delivery options that best meets their unique business needs, including onpremises, Microsoft Office 365 public cloud offering or managed private cloud services. With Azaleos, we now can bring the power of Microsoft technology to organizations as a managed private cloud service while offering high service levels that companies require."

Approximately 200 Azaleos employees joined Avanade as part of the acquisition, most of them located in Seattle and Charlotte, North Carolina. The company <u>announced its intent</u> to acquire Azaleos in November. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

For more information about our Communication and Collaboration Managed Services, please visit http://www.avanade.com/advisor/ccms.

About Avanade

Avanade provides business technology solutions and managed services that connect insight, innovation and expertise in Microsoft® technologies to help customers realize results. 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 17,000 professionals in more than 20 countries. Additional information can be found at www.avanade.com



