

AvePoint Announces that Partner OBS Has Earned First ACE Certification in Australia

The AvePoint Certified Expert (ACE) Program provides partners worldwide with formal, in-depth training on AvePoint's best-of-breed software solutions for SharePoint infrastructure management

Jersey City, NJ — March 18, 2010 — AvePoint, the leading provider of infrastructure management software solutions for Microsoft SharePoint, today announced OBS is the first of its partners in Australia to complete the AvePoint Certified Expert (ACE) training program. As a result of this training, OBS, Australia's Premier SharePoint specialist, is fully qualified to recommend, deploy, and configure AvePoint's SharePoint infrastructure management solutions, and can subsequently provide its clients with comprehensive consulting on AvePoint technologies.

"We're very excited to have OBS certified through our ACE Program", said Garth Luke, Vice President of Sales and General Manager of AvePoint Australasia. "OBS can provide clients with comprehensive, technical guidance about the industry's most powerful SharePoint infrastructure management tools."

The ACE program provides AvePoint partners with in-depth training on AvePoint product installation and configuration, as well as how to fully leverage its tools for SharePoint data protection, administration, compliance, migration, reporting, and storage optimisation. Partners seeking ACE certification must attend a series of live and web-enabled training sessions, and pass both an online and oral examination. The more comprehensive Technical-ACE certification demands additional technical training and requires the participant to deliver a technical presentation to AvePoint engineers.

OBS consultant Timothy Boettcher was the first to complete AvePoint's training program in Australia, receiving the Technical-ACE certification on Friday, February 19. In addition to learning about DocAve's 24 independently deployable modules, Timothy also received one-on-one training from AvePoint's engineers.

"OBS is delighted that we have achieved AvePoint ACE Certification. This certification allows us to provide our customers with updated and best-practice consulting on AvePoint technologies. OBS, as Australia's Premier SharePoint specialist, helps organisations get value from SharePoint through business focused products and solutions. We are committed to continually provide our customers thought leadership on the SharePoint platform, including infrastructure management software solutions such as AvePoint's product suite." said Andy Neumann, General Manager, OBS.

To learn more about AvePoint's ACE Training Programs or infrastructure management solutions for SharePoint please contact AvePoint Australia at +61-3-9678-9012 or visit www.AvePoint.com.au

To learn more about OBS' consulting and training services, please visit the OBS website at www.obs.com.au

About AvePoint

AvePoint is a global technology company and software innovator. Since 2001, AvePoint has been a global leader in enterprise-strength infrastructure management solutions for all Microsoft SharePoint Products and Technologies. AvePoint's award-winning DocAve Software Platform delivers comprehensive and flexible infrastructure support for backup and recovery, replication, migration, administration, archiving, deployment management, and compliance, while piloting the products of OEM partners such as NetApp and IBM. With headquarters in Jersey City, NJ, and wholly owned engineering centers and sales offices worldwide, AvePoint serves more than 5,000 enterprise customers. AvePoint is a Managed Gold Certified Microsoft Partner and GSA Certified Provider.

About OBS

OBS is Australia's Premier SharePoint Specialist. OBS helps organisations get value from SharePoint through business focused products and solutions. OBS's expertise has resulted in the deployment of Australia's biggest SharePoint project as well as the completion of nearly 400 SharePoint deployments in the last 12 months. OBS is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner, currently holding six Microsoft competencies and 7 specialisations. OBS employs over 130 people across Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide and Canberra and offers a diverse range of products and solutions. Australia's leading business magazine BRW, recognised OBS as a top 10 place of employment in the 2009 'Best Places to Work'.

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