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Open-E establishes Certified Engineer Trainings

Partners of Open-E can now get their technical staff trained as Open-E Certified Engineers.

Stoneham, MA, July 11, 2011: Open-E, Inc., a global leader and developer of innovative storage management software, is now providing partners the ability to become an Open-E Certified Engineer (OECE). This new training will offer engineers the opportunity to gain the necessary skills for implementing Open-E DSS V6 into their customer's storage environments.

Engineers get trained by Open-E's technical experts, are able to gain hands-on skills and knowledge about Open-E DSS V6 and learn how to work with it. Finally, after passing a theoretical and practical exam, they become certified. An OECE can easily implement Open-E DSS V6 to an IT-environment and has comprehensive knowledge and experience of the software.

"The certification as an OECE verifies the ability to work smoothly with our Storage Software, especially Snapshots, Backups and Replications", says Krzysztof Franek, President and CEO of Open-E. "We are glad to offer our partners this great opportunity and have already received a lot of positive feedback in the run-up to our first training events."

The first OECE Trainings will be held in Munich, Germany, and Reading near London, United Kingdom. More training events will follow in the coming months.

About Open-E DSS V6

Open-E Data Storage Software V6 (Open-E DSS V6) is a unified file and block storage management operating system (OS) that provides Network Attached Storage (NAS), iSCSI and Fibre Channel Storage Area Network (SAN) functionality. It provides superior performance, security, and scalability at a fraction of the cost of alternative storage offerings.

Advanced features of Open-E DSS V6 include Data and Volume Replication, Volume Snapshot, Automatic iSCSI Failover and Automatic NAS (NFS) Failover for high availability, Remote Mirroring for disaster recovery, WORM (Write Once Read Many) support for digital archiving, and NDMP (Network Data Management Protocol) support for universal backup. Additionally, Open-E DSS V6 supports a wide variety of hardware RAID platforms from the industry's leading names. The versatility of Open-E DSS V6 also allows users to combine NAS systems with iSCSI SAN systems. It provides built-in virus protection, while enabling the connection of multiple Network Interface Controllers, including 1Gb Ethernet, 10Gb Ethernet and Fibre Channel. Open-E DSS V6 is easy to install on any server hardware and converts a bare metal server into a GUI manageable storage appliance.

Open-E DSS V6 supports logical volumes greater than 16 TB. The software is available with a licensed capacity of 4, 8, 16 and unlimited TB. Optionally, the initial system capacity can be expanded with upgrades.

More information about the functionality of Open-E DSS V6 is available at the website of the [storage software](#).

About Open-E

Open-E, Inc. is a pioneering leader and developer of IP-based storage management software with headquarters in the United States and Europe. Founded in 1998, the company sells its line of storage management software exclusively through a world-wide network of system integrators and reseller partners. The Open-E® DSS V6™ and Open-E® DSS V6 Lite™ line of products are aimed at the SMB and SME markets and enjoy a reputation for best-in-class performance, flexibility, reliability, scalability and return-on-investment.

With an extensive network of over 600 registered OEM, distributor and reseller partners, including over 200 Open-E certified partners, customers have the flexibility to work with the hardware solution provider of their choosing, allowing Open-E to focus on its core competency of storage software development.

With over 20,000 customer installations since 2003 in over 90 countries, Open-E data storage solutions are used by Fortune 500 customers world-wide.

For further information about Open-E, its products and partners, visit <http://www.open-e.com/>.

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