

F-Secure® launches Protection Service(tm) for Business to provide security as a service for small and medium sized businesses

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Mumbai, Maharashtra, February 22, 2008 /[India PRwire](#)/ -- Many small and medium sized businesses (SMBs) are struggling to protect their business environment as Internet crime and malware has become more and more sophisticated. Attacks targeting financial transactions and specific companies are on the rise, costing hundreds of millions of dollars in business losses worldwide. At the same time, the working environment is becoming more mobile and complex, which makes SMBs even more exposed to such threats and increases the requirements for IT security expertise.

F-Secure Protection Service for Business (PSB) is designed to meet these challenges. As it is delivered as a service through a certified Value Added Reseller (VAR) it removes the need for the SMB customer to maintain in-house IT expertise. For those SMB's that do have IT departments the solution has an easy-to-use web-based management interface. PSB is a comprehensive and automated security package providing constantly updated protection against all Internet-based threats, even for mobile users. It combines ease of use with fully featured online protection for SMBs.

Speaking at the PSB launch Juha Ollila, F-Secure's Vice President of Channel Business said: "F-Secure's new Protection Service for Business is a service, and as such highly cost-effective. It allows small and medium sized companies to focus their time and resources on running their businesses instead of struggling to keep up with the constantly evolving security threats."

PSB - an opportunity for IT resellers

The launch of F-Secure PSB presents an excellent opportunity for IT resellers to offer security services to the SMB sector. Part of the F-Secure PSB solutions is the advanced management portal, which allows a reseller to manage all its customers from the same management account.

F-Secure's pioneering "Security as a Service" solution has been developed for value-added resellers and service provider partners, enabling them to offer managed IT security as part of their service portfolio. It also enables additional services to be offered on top of the PSB hosted service, bringing extra benefits for the end-customers.

With F-Secure Protection Service for Business, resellers can now offer their SMB customers an easy to use, affordable and comprehensive protection against Internet-based threats.

PSB - a comprehensive solution

F-Secure's Protection Service for Business provides a comprehensive security solution consisting of security client software and a F-Secure hosted management portal for SMBs. PSB protects desktop computers, laptops and file servers against viruses, spyware and hidden malware. It includes a wealth of features such as automatic security signatures, client software updates and management system upgrades. The security status of both office computers and moving laptops can be equally monitored.

PSB is easy to install, deploy and configure. The management portal includes predefined security profiles for different user groups and its automated features make PSB easy to maintain. The F-Secure hosted service portal gives great flexibility to management and saves the customer the cost of setting up a separate management platform. The management portal can be accessed wherever an Internet connection is available. PSB requires minimum intervention and IT resource use, which means businesses spend less time on security administration - and more time on doing business with their customers.

The solution contains a firewall, intrusion prevention, application control, proactive protection with F-Secure's state-of-the-art DeepGuard technology, as well as rootkit detection with the F-Secure Blacklight tool. The built-in

spam control keeps e-mail free of unwanted messages.

F-Secure PSB includes 25 language localizations, which is the most extensive localization set in F-Secure's history. More information about the solution can be found at <http://www.f-secure.com/caring>.

Notes to Editor

About F-Secure Corporation

F-Secure Corporation protects consumers and businesses against computer viruses and other threats from the Internet and mobile networks. F-Secure's award-winning solutions are available as a service subscription through more than 160 Internet service providers and mobile operator partners around the world, making F-Secure the global leader in this market. The solutions are also available as licensed products through thousands of resellers globally.

The company aspires to be the most reliable security provider, helping make computer and smartphone users' connected lives safe and easy. This is substantiated by the company's independently proven ability to respond faster to new threats than its main competitors. Founded in 1988 and headquartered in Finland, F-Secure has been listed on the OMX Nordic Exchange Helsinki since 1999. The company has consistently been one of the fastest growing publicly listed companies in the industry. The latest news on real-time virus threat scenarios is available at the F-Secure Data Security Lab weblog at <http://www.f-secure.com/weblog/>.

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