

Fortinet, Microsoft partner for security solutions

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Fortinet announced that it has become the newest member of the SecureIT Alliance, a group of industry partners working together to develop security solutions for the Microsoft platform. As a member, Fortinet is able to collaborate earlier and more interactively with Microsoft and other Alliance members, and such collaboration will in turn allow it to respond more quickly to customer inquiries and concerns over vulnerabilities.

The SecureIT Alliance is a web-enabled collaboration forum between partners to help members build innovative new security solutions and to communicate with customers about security solutions and partnerships. The Alliance provides a forum through which members can receive new platform information from Microsoft, and collaborate on issues such as secure-code best practices, interoperability, and integration of products and services, as well as public communication of security solutions content.

"With its global



FortiGuard Network of security researchers, Fortinet provides an additional level of security expertise and solutions that will benefit both industry collaborators and IT professionals who rely on the Alliance to drive their development and decision-

making," said Gerry Albert, Director, SecureIT Alliance, Microsoft.

"SecureIT Alliance calls security thought leaders and innovators to action by giving us a forum in which to collaborate and communicate on the

most dangerous and pressing industry matters. This alliance extends the benefits of Fortinet's FortiGuard Network to customers, by enabling a broader research network," said Richard Stiennon, Chief Marketing Officer, Fortinet.