ChangeBASE announces release of AOK Assess-It and AOK Fix-It for Windows 7 and publishes White Paper on Windows 7 Application Compatibility

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ChangeBASE AOK, the leaders in automated application and virtualisation compatibility software, today announces a new suite of compatibility plug-ins that test for and fix compatibility issues between an application estate and the new Windows 7 platform.

ChangeBASE also releases a white paper with detailed information on the compatibility challenges organisations will face when looking to get applications to work with Windows 7, based on the results of testing AOK with multiple applications in their Application Compatibility Lab.

Highlights from this paper include:-

• To migrate to Windows 7 an organisation will need to surmount all the compatibility challenges an application may have when targeting a Vista operating platform, AND address any problems with applications not being developed to work with the new Windows 7 compatibility rules. Between 60-80% of applications running on XP or earlier operating systems will need some remediation to meet the requirements to be deployable tothe new O/S . Up to 5% of total applications have issues that mean they will not work at all and will require vendor or programmer intervention.

• 8% of applications will be affected by the additional requirements necessary to comply with Windows 7, above and beyond those application issues apparent withVISTA, based on the current beta release and published documentation. The white paper details these potential issues.

• AOK automates remediation of the application to address these issues where possible. For the remainder, organisations will need to revert to the vendors for upgrades or work with the in-house development teams to remediate the problems. The detailed information AOK provides on these compatibility issues will greatly simplify the fixing process.

ChangeBASE also announce a specific partner program to help organisations with the assessment and remediation work using AOK.

ChangeBASE is a Microsoft Gold partner and is supported by Microsoft on the Windows 7 adoption program

Other partners supporting this program include:-

• Accenture
• Dimension Data
• EOH Gallium
• Satyam
• Getronics
• Klokwork

These partners have in depth knowledge of ChangeBASE AOK and the Win 7 compatibility Plug-Ins they have released.

Commenting on these announcements, John Tate, Managing Director of ChangeBASE stated: 'We have implemented VISTA in our own business and this offers significant enhancements in key areas of productivity, security, and functionality that enterprises are looking to take advantage of. The challenge is to ensure their applications will work on this and the new Windows 7 platform. AOK allows organisations to rapidly assess the suitability of a company's applications and then automate the remediation of these for the new O/S's. This will help their decision making, and drive adoption.'

'It's really important to understand though, that it is the diverse nature of enterprise application estates that make migration such a painful subject, not changes to the O/S itself', he concluded.

About ChangeBASE Limited
Founded in 2006 and Headquartered in London, England, ChangeBASE is the provider and developer of AOK, a product that automates the management and upgrade of applications in a Microsoft environment. ChangeBASE counts Dimension Data, SCC, Satyam, Getronics, Symantec, and Microsoft as partners and GSK, Astra Zeneca and Man Investments amongst its enterprise customers.

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