

Hartford Consulting Group Joins CAST Highlight Partner Program, Adding Cloud-Ready Assessments to Alfabet deployments

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London – Jan. 26, 2017 – CAST (<http://www.castsoftware.com>), a world leader in software analysis and measurement, today announced that Hartford Consulting Group (HCG) has joined its Highlight Partner Program. This collaboration enables objective portfolio measurement for Software AG's Alfabet (http://www2.softwareag.com/corporate/products/aris_alfabet/it_portfolio/default.aspx) Enterprise Architecture and IT Portfolio Management Platform. HCG (<http://hartfordconsultinggroup.com/>) is a leading service provider for Software AG, supporting customers' business and IT goals for cloud adoption, digital business transformation, and merger and acquisition initiatives.

The new partnership between CAST and HCG combines fact-based portfolio analysis with more than 20 years of expertise in application portfolio management (<http://www.casthighlight.com/application-portfolio-management-aptm/?gad=p>) accelerating achievement of customers' strategic business priorities.

"The CAST Highlight software solution adds significant value, particularly for Software AG customers ready to make the shift to the cloud," said Eric Hall, CEO of HCG. "Combining Highlight's fast and objective analysis of portfolio health with HCG's expertise in Alfabet presents a clear, risk-free path to the cloud."

CAST Highlight (<http://www.casthighlight.com/?gad=p>) conducts rapid, portfolio-level analyses of critical business applications and measures their readiness for the cloud based on risk, complexity and cost helping customers maintain consistent service and prevent potential service disruptions. HCG is now incorporating this cloud-ready analysis into their counsel for Software AG customers looking to transform their business operations through cloud computing.

"It is essential for business and IT owners to make intelligent decisions when it comes to transformational initiatives. CAST analysis makes these decisions clear by providing easy to understand, contextual analysis around key risk factors of business-critical systems," said Jeff Fraleigh, Global Head for CAST Highlight. "We are excited to build our relationship with HCG as more enterprises shift to cloud to support strategic business functions."

To learn more about how the Highlight Partner Program is connecting business and IT, click here (<http://www.casthighlight.com/highlight-partner-program/?gad=p>) or contact Britney Schaeffer at b.schaeffer@castsoftware.com.

About Hartford Consulting Group

HCG is a Full Service Software AG Partner and a global leader in Alfabet services, with a proven track record in delivering industry standard, innovative solutions and best practices to organizations across multiple industries. Our integration experience with Alfabet allows IT leaders to tightly couple business priorities and IT with current and future initiatives. Providing a holistic, integrated, and

collaborative approach offers continuous transparency into how IT and business information, processes and roles are changing and how they need to be managed over time. For more information, visit www.hartfordconsultinggroup.com.

About CAST Highlight

CAST Highlight is an ultra-rapid code-scanning SaaS offering that identifies potential IT risks and cost savings opportunities across distributed application portfolios. By delivering data and insights on the health of portfolios, CAST Highlight provides IT leaders with objectivity and clarity to make more informed business decisions, prevent risk, and reduce complexity and cost.

About CAST

CAST is the world leader in software analysis and measurement, with unique technology resulting from \$130 million in R&D investment. CAST introduces fact-based transparency into application development and sourcing to transform it into a management discipline. More than 250 companies across all industry sectors and geographies rely on CAST to prevent business disruption while reducing hard IT costs and software risk. CAST is an integral part of software delivery and maintenance at the world's leading IT service providers. Founded in 1990, CAST is listed on Euronext (CAS) and serves IT intensive enterprises worldwide with offices in North America, Europe and India.

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