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VLSystems Achieves Cisco Master Security Specialization in United States

Cisco Specialization Level Distinguishes Channel Partners with Highest Level of Security Expertise, Lifecycle Services and Success in Sales

Irvine, CA – August 20, 2008 – VLSystems announced today that it has achieved the Master Security Specialization from Cisco®. This specialization recognizes VLSystems as having fulfilled the training requirements and program prerequisites to sell, deploy and support highly sophisticated Cisco network security solutions.

“We are very proud to have achieved the Cisco Master Security Specialization,” said Christian Rolland, chief technology officer for VLSystems. “It is a true testament to our organization’s advocacy of information security, depth of industry specific security knowledge and exceptional engineering talent.”

“The Cisco Master Security Specialization is designed to recognize resale channel partners who have taken the steps to be able to deliver a self-defending network consisting of integrated, collaborative and adaptive security solutions and full lifecycle services,” said Edison Peres, vice president and chief go-to-market officer for worldwide channels at Cisco. “For VLSystems to achieve the Master Security Specialization is an outstanding achievement.”

The Cisco Master Security Specialization is designed to recognize an elite group of resale channel partners who have invested in the most in-depth technology skills and have demonstrated success in providing services for Cisco’s more value-added security solutions. These include Cisco Security Agent, Cisco Security Monitoring, Analysis, and Response System (Cisco Security MARS), Network Admission Control, and Cisco IOS® Software. Partners with a highly qualified security practice can achieve a Master Security Specialization regardless of certification level.

To achieve the Master Security Specialization, partners must first attain the Advanced Security Specialization. Partners must then meet a series of stringent requirements in three categories: technology capabilities, sales expertise, and Cisco Lifecycle Services. Channel partners must possess a number of Cisco and industry-standard technical certification requirements; provide customer references that document Cisco-prescribed design and deployment capabilities; and supply evidence that they have the infrastructure to support a full menu of Lifecycle Services offerings and capabilities.

More information about the Cisco Master Security Specialization can be found at: <http://www.cisco.com/web/partners/program/specializations/security/master/index.html>

The Cisco Resale Channel Program provides partners with the training required to build sales, technical and Cisco Lifecycle Services skills, and then validates their skills through a third-party audit. Cisco resale partner certifications—Select, Premier, Silver and Gold—represent an increasing breadth of skills across key technologies and a partner’s ability to deliver integrated networking solutions. Cisco resale partner specializations—SMB, Express, Advanced and Master—reflect an increasing depth of sales, technical and service expertise in particular technologies. Cisco master specializations provide VLSystems access to comprehensive sales, technical, and lifecycle services training and support available from Cisco.

About VLSystems

VLSystems, founded in Irvine, Calif. in 1978, is a Cisco Premier Certified Partner with a Master Security Specialization and a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner specializing in secure information solutions involving Cisco LAN/WAN, data center and security, Microsoft advanced infrastructure, SharePoint Portal Server, workflow and collaboration, and managed services. To learn more about VLSystems, please visit www.VLSystems.com.

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