

## Ad hoc announcement

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### **secunet Security Networks AG: Jump in fourth-quarter earnings**

*[Essen, 22 December 2010]* secunet Security Networks AG, Essen, is expected to close the fourth quarter of 2010 with a very good result. The company's Management Board is now projecting revenue of around EUR 20 million and EBIT of just over EUR 3 million for the fourth quarter of 2010. This would slightly exceed the previous full-year forecast made by the provider of sophisticated IT security solutions and IT security partner of the Federal Republic of Germany: the company now expects to post revenue in excess of EUR 58 million, compared with its earlier forecast of EUR 57 million. The jump in fourth-quarter revenue will also result in a much higher full-year EBIT than previously forecast: this is now expected to top EUR 3 million, compared with the Management Board's previous forecast of over EUR 2 million. Q4 is traditionally secunet's strongest quarter both in terms of revenue and EBIT. The sharp rise in EBIT is attributable to high capacity utilisation and a large share of revenue from licensing. The sale of a major licence had a disproportionate impact on licensing revenue.

secunet will publish its preliminary figures for the 2010 financial year on 26 January 2011.

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secunet Security Networks AG offers consulting as well as products and solutions in the IT security field that can comply with the highest levels of confidentiality – for example for the German armed forces. secunet has been IT security partner of the Federal Republic of Germany since 2004. Many DAX companies as well as numerous authorities and organizations are among secunet's national and international customers, which total over 500. secunet was founded in 1997 and achieved sales of 64 million euros in 2009 with a workforce of over 280 employees. Additional data is available from [www.secunet.com](http://www.secunet.com)

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