**secunet takes on the HJP Consulting eID testing business unit**

**Division Homeland Security strengthens its eID expertise**

***[Essen/Borchen, Germany, 20 September 2016]* secunet is expanding its core expertise in the Homeland Security division. To do so, the Company is acquiring a business unit from HJP Consulting, based in Borchen, North Rhine-Westphalia. With this partial transfer of operations, secunet will be taking on experts in electronic identity documents (eID), whilst also bringing on board the test tool GlobalTester, used for examining eIDs, and continuing to develop it.**

secunet is therefore targeting and strengthening its Homeland Security division with specialists in electronic identity documents. Employees from a section of HJP Consulting will provide extensive expertise in the safeguarding and review of eIDs and, with their knowledge, represent a fantastic addition to the activities of the Homeland Security division.

secunet will be adding GlobalTester to its range of test software. This product is used for comprehensively reviewing the compliance of chip cards, and in particular of eIDs, as well as corresponding readers. This means that two globally recognised test suites for eIDs will be bundled at secunet in the form of the secunet Golden Reader Tool and GlobalTester.

With the partial transfer of operations (the acquisition of part of a company), secunet will also obtain new premises in Borchen, North Rhine-Westphalia. This is a sign of secunet's commitment to the strong IT region around Paderborn, whilst also creating an opportunity for further growth.

HJP Consulting will continue to concentrate on its consultancy business in eIDs, biometrics and PKI/PKD solutions. It intends to focus the further expansion of its government consultancy services on planning, putting out to tender and approving complex IT systems to clients in the Middle East in particular.

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**About secunet**

secunet is one of the leading German providers of high-quality IT security. Over 380 experts work in the areas of cryptography, e-government, business security and automotive security, and develop innovative products in these fields in addition to highly secure and reliable solutions. Many DAX companies as well as numerous authorities and organisations are among secunet's national and international customers, which total over 500. secunet is IT security partner of the Federal Republic of Germany and partner in the Alliance for Cyber Security.

secunet was founded in 1997 and achieved sales of EUR 91.1 million in 2015. secunet Security Networks AG is listed on the Prime Standard of the German Stock Exchange

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**About HJP Consulting**

HJP Consulting is an internationally active consulting firm specializing in the planning of complex eID projects. The experts of HJP Consulting advise government clients worldwide in major projects for the introduction of electronic ID documents, ID cards and border control systems.

The HJP team has played a key role in the planning of electronic passport projects in Germany, United Kingdom, the United Arab Emirates, Sudan, Oman and other states. Customers benefit from the long-term expertise of HJP in future topics, such as biometrics and PKI.

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