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Press Release

Maringo Tree Technologies and LinuxCertified Inc, Form Partnership to Deliver Linux and Open Source Technology Education in South-East Asia

Singapore, March 03, 2003: Maringo Tree Technologies Pte Ltd, consulting services provider in Open Source technologies, today announced the partnership with LinuxCertified Inc to provide Linux and Open Source Technology Education Services in Singapore and in the region.

Linux and Open Source Software (OSS) can bring tremendous value to companies, schools and government. State-of-the-art training of engineers and practitioners is crucial in unleashing this technology. "I am pleased to announce Christopher Bong as the head of our new Education Services Unit," said Mr. Harish Pillay, CEO and Chief Technology Architect of Maringo Tree, "To top this, our partnership with LinuxCertified Inc is fundamental to accelerating the vision. LinuxCertified Inc is a well known Linux/FOSS training provider in the United States and this partnership with them will help Maringo Tree Technologies Pte Ltd to play a pivotal role in growing the Linux/FOSS market."

"We consider South-East Asia strategic to the growth of LinuxCertified's training business.", said Mr. Chander Kant, President of LinuxCertified, Inc., "We are delighted about our strategic partnership with Maringo Tree to bring best of the breed Linux and FOSS training to the region".

About Maringo Tree Technologies Pte Ltd, Singapore (http://www.maringotree.com)

Maringo Tree Technologies provides consulting and training services and solutions in the following areas: Linux, GNU and Open Source Technologies, Wireless LANs and Internet Security, GRID/Cluster-based High Performance Computing, and Kernel Hardening/Embedded Systems/Microcontroller and Custom Hardware Design.

About LinuxCertified Inc, San Jose, CA, USA (http://www.linuxcertified.com)

LinuxCertified, Inc. is a premier training and services provider with a focus on Linux and other Open Source software. LinuxCertified's goal is to provide significant improvements and cost-savings in the IT infrastructure via the use of Open Source technologies.

With its headquarters in San Jose - California, in the heart of Silicon Valley, LinuxCertified has established a strong base of clients throughout North America, and through its partners, a growing set of clients in worldwide locations. LinuxCertified's alumni comes from a wide variety of industries, e.g. manufacturing, healthcare, technology, education etc., and a broad set of government and non-profit organizations. Some of the recent clients include: NASA, California Department of Transportation, US Army, Oracle, Fujitsu, VISA international and Kaiser Permanente. Numerous IT training companies, as well as premier universities, e.g. University of New Mexico, have used this courseware in their classes.