

## **NET2S London Launches Information Security Division**

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- ▶ Headed by Hans Haverhals, formerly of Nebulas Security
- ▶ Services include ethical hacking and risk management consulting

London, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2007 – NET2S, the leading international consultancy specialising in capital markets technology, has today announced the launch of its new Information Security Division, bringing the group's world-leading combination of business and technical expertise to its London client base.

The new division will offer the three key services of ethical hacking, risk management consulting, and product integration, and brings to London over eight years of experience and 'best practice' models developed by the global NET2S Group, where information security already accounts for a approximately 45% of the group's total revenue. The UK division is currently involved in numerous system conversion and optimization projects, and in various regulatory compliance projects involving Sarbanes Oxley.

Hans Haverhals, formerly of Nebulas Security and MIS Corporate Defense Solutions, will head the division. Haverhals brings to the company over a decade of experience in the IT security business, with strong knowledge of best-of-breed security solutions. He has developed and managed regional offices for IT security resellers in the UK and Europe, managed vendor and distributor partnerships, and established consistently strong sales records within the channel over the years.

"As the means of distributing information continues to grow, the ability to keep it secure is an increasingly difficult and complex challenge for companies," states Frédéric Ponzo, MD of NET2S London. "With the potentially catastrophic consequences of even the smallest data leakage, not to mention the damaging headlines, financial institutions are all too aware of the implications of poor information security. We have developed our world-leading security division by meeting the needs of these most demanding of clients."

"When it comes to building a secure IT infrastructure for financial institutions, it is absolutely vital to understand the unique requirements and complexities of this sector. One simply cannot adopt a 'one size fits all' approach. Our specialised experience in the capital markets enables us to build the best systems for our clients by already understanding their specific needs, requirements, and constraints," says Haverhals.

### **About NET2S**

NET2S is a leading international consultancy specialising in capital markets technology. Since its creation in 1996, NET2S has built an impressive track record in consulting & advisory services, delivering complex projects and providing managed services. NET2S works with major sell and buy side firms, technology vendors, data providers and exchanges, with clients including over 50 global financial institutions, in particular 19 out of the 20 top investment banks. NET2S offers solutions for business critical systems across all asset classes, with particular focus on risk, electronic trading and data management. Recent initiatives include the outsourcing of trading platforms operations, the implementation of market risk solutions, the development of trading algorithms and major infrastructures refreshes from networks to market data to client connectivity.

NET2S is publicly quoted on EURONEXT and has over 800 full-time employees globally, with a comprehensive presence in Western Europe and North America, as well as an off-shore delivery centre in Morocco