

Press release

direkt gruppe and NOVUM pool their strengths to produce integrated cloud solutions for insurance companies

One-stop cloud-based infrastructure and applications: Hamburg-based direkt gruppe and Novum from Nuremberg are offering just this, making their pooled cloud competence available as a package to insurance companies for the first time.

Hamburg / Nuremberg, 13. December 2016 – direkt gruppe from Hamburg and NOVUM have decided to cooperate in the supply of insurance companies with integrated cloud services, offering the entire cloud ecosystem which includes strategic advice and highly efficient infrastructure as well as standardised technical applications with modern web interfaces. The package also includes the professional operation of the solutions to meet the strict compliance requirements of the industry.

Talking about the aim of the cooperation, Karsten Kirsch, managing director of direkt gruppe GmbH, explains that "direkt gruppe has been supporting insurance companies in the areas of technology, processes and organisation for 18 years and has been successfully offering cloud solutions for the past five years. We understand the practical demands made on IT support to master the applications landscape and architecture of the future. As far as we are concerned, NOVUM's "V'ger Sky" is an important solution component for our insurance customers."

Michael Kraus, managing director of NOVUM GmbH, says that "All e V'ger applications are systematically geared to the requirements of the insurance business. They impress with technical functionality as well as ergonomic and flexible user interfaces. Our customers also benefit from the new cooperation in terms of direkt gruppe's many years of expertise in the set-up and management of complex cloud infrastructures."

About direkt gruppe

direkt gruppe is ideally positioned on the German market with an integrative portfolio and skills mix. We help our customers to increase their flexibility through advice and implementation in the areas of technology, processes, organisation, communication and culture. We pool innovative solutions such as cloud orchestration, risk and compliance management, multi-provider control as well as collaboration and business process integration, to provide added value for our customers. direkt gruppe is the strategic partner of ServiceNow, Microsoft and Amazon Web Services. Focal industries are insurance, media and IT providers. Over 200 permanently employed members of staff work for direkt in Hamburg, Cologne and Munich.



direkt gruppe has received the "Accelerator" award in the Market Study Cloud Managed Service Provider 2016 from Crisp Research, Best Advisor 2016 from brand eins Wissen and the Best-in-Cloud Award 2014 from Computerwoche.

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NOVUM was found in 1993 and has more than 20 years of experience in developing and implementing core applications in various insurance and financial sectors. The Nuremberg-based company has subsidiaries in Cologne, Salzburg, Vienna, Maribor and Zurich, and more than 150 employees. With an annual revenue of EUR 25 million, the NOVUM Group is one of the most innovative and fastest growing ISVs for the insurance industry.

NOVUM develops individual solutions as well as standard software for insurers and financial service providers – all based on the "V'ger Enterprise" software platform. V'ger offers comprehensive modules for property and life insurance classes, including management of portfolios, claims/payments, collections, partners and commissions.

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