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SkillSoft Partners with Sun Microsystems to Deliver Sun-Authorized e-Learning Courseware

Agreement Allows SkillSoft to Sell Suite of Java and Solaris e-learning Courseware

NASHUA, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SkillSoft PLC (Nasdaq: SKIL), a leading SaaS provider of e-learning and performance support solutions for global enterprises, government, education and small to medium-sized businesses, and Sun Microsystems today announced a new agreement for SkillSoft to market and distribute Sun-authored e-learning courseware for Sun's latest Java and Solaris software solutions. The agreement expands an existing partnership between the companies and offers SkillSoft clients additional resources for the training, development and certification of their IT organizations.

"This partnership with SkillSoft allows us to offer highly effective training courses on a leading e-learning platform to customers who are looking to enhance the skills of their IT professionals by leveraging our flexible training options," said Denny Schall, Senior Director, Sun Learning Services. "We are excited to work with SkillSoft in this strategic relationship to promote and distribute the Sun Collection of Java and Solaris training and certification programs, and we anticipate tremendous interest and results."

The Solaris and Java [courses](#) provide more than 300 hours of content within SkillSoft's Sun Collection, and are targeted to critical job roles in software application development and in systems, network and security administration. The collection is focused around Sun's Java and Solaris certifications programs and includes several ePractice Exams to help learners assess their readiness prior to sitting for the exams.

"This extension of our established partnership with Sun will allow us to work collaboratively to offer Sun's suite of Solaris and Java e-learning products, giving SkillSoft customers a cost-effective solution for certifying their IT professionals on these important technologies," said Lee Ritze, senior vice president marketing, SkillSoft. "With the increased courseware and certification opportunities available, employers will benefit from hiring individuals who are trained and certified on Sun technologies."

About SkillSoft

SkillSoft PLC (Nasdaq: SKIL) is a leading SaaS provider of on-demand e-learning and performance support solutions for global enterprises, government, education and small to medium-sized businesses. SkillSoft enables business organizations to maximize business performance through a combination of comprehensive e- learning content, online information resources, flexible learning technologies and support services.

Content offerings include business, IT, desktop, compliance and consumer/SMB courseware collections, as well as complementary content assets such as Leadership Development Channel video products, KnowledgeCenter(TM) portals, virtual instructor-led training services and online mentoring services. SkillSoft's Books24x7(R) product offering includes access to more than 20,000 digitized IT and business books, as well as book summaries and executive reports. Technology offerings include the SkillPort(R) learning management system, Search-and-Learn(R), SkillSoft(R) Dialogue(TM) and virtual classroom.

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