

Avnet Technology Solutions to cooperate with Trust Alert and reinforce Networking and Security Portfolio

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Nettetal – Avnet Technology Solutions, an operating group of Avnet, Inc. ([NYSE: AVT](#)) and one of the world's biggest value-added distributors of electronic components, enterprise computing products and embedded technologies, announces that it has signed an agreement for the distribution of Controlled Access solutions from the Dutch software manufacturer TrustAlert in Germany.

In parallel with the increasing number of access points in networks, organizations feel a growing need to control access of their networks and applications. TrustAlert provides the controlled access solution that provides an answer to this need. TrustAlert Controlled Access Appliance enhances security in existing network infrastructures. TrustAlert is applied at the network entry point and, for a defined period, generates secure access based on user typing and fingerprint, or a combination of both.

To gain network access, the 802.1X protocol, a credential and a user certificate are used for authentication. This protocol works for both cable and [WiFi](#) network access. To access an application, the user needs to log on to a small software client in the network with his normal user name and password. The TrustAlert appliance then authenticates him within the existing identification management system, which in turn sends the user the access authorization. This allows companies secure access to their main networks and company-dependent applications. The network and application credentials can be set up to meet company policies to expire after one session or after a certain number of hours, days or months. By doing so, changes in the network and in the application access process can be distributed and automated so that no expensive administrative overcapacities are needed.

"With TrustAlert's Controlled Access Appliance we are bringing a unique product to the German market which will provide significant added value for our customers, for example in combination with F5 Networks SSL projects" says Herbert Leven, Business Manager Networking & Security at Avnet Technology Solutions Germany.

"Avnet is the ideal distribution partner for TrustAlert" comments Eric Bruins, TrustAlert Sales Director, Indirect Channels. "Avnet services a large [reseller](#) basis and delivers added value to its customers, an approach we also need for our TrustAlert Controlled Access Appliance solutions"

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