

Actebis Peacock with FDE Technology to Premier

SECUDE International AG, Actebis Peacock and Seagate open a new era in the disk encryption market. FinallySecure™ in conjunction with FDE hard drives allows users for the first time to employ either soft- and/or hardware-based Full Disk Encryption.

Lucerne, Germany – 22. July 2008 - Soester based distributor targets hardware Full Disk Encryption (FDE). Actebis Peacock together with Seagate and SECUDE have today opened a new era in the European hard disk drive market as the first distributor to include hardware FDE disk drives to its portfolio. This provides users with a simple migration path from traditional software-based FDE to more advanced hardware-based Full-Disk Encryption (FDE).

The groundbreaking dual technology solution is a product of the close partnership between Seagate and SECUDE International AG. Swiss SAP Security expert, SECUDE, with its new encryption solution FinallySecure Enterprise v9 manages the hardware-based encryption of Seagate Momentus FDE.2 drives. FinallySecure provides security functions for management, user authentication (PBA) and recovery. In addition, FinallySecure implements a software-based Full Disk Encryption for all legacy systems.

This dual technology approach enables both software and hardware-based Full Disk Encryption. The combination of both technologies under the same user interface and with identical management functions gives businesses the option to encrypt data either with software or hardware-based FDE and provides a smooth migration during the transition to hardware-based FDE. "This hybrid technology guarantees a high level of security, simple installation and administration while also ensuring significant savings in the transition to hardware-integrated encryption", explains René Schaefer, business unit manager at Actebis VAD Peacock.

For Seagate, the combined offering of Momentus FDE.2 hard drives with SECUDE security technologies by Actebis Peacock is the continuation of a long-term co-operation. "Actebis was one of Seagate's first authorized distributors and we have now been working together

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for more than 20 years in a very fruitful partnership. We are very happy that Actebis, as an authorized distributor of our Momentus 5400 FDE.2 - part of the Seagate Secure™ portfolio of self-encrypting hard drives is working with SECUDE on this program, especially as we too have been working with SECUDE for several years on hardware-based encryption technologies. Many recent reports show a lack of security systems for laptop computers and highlight the need for new security technologies such as full disc encryption.” said Bernd Breinbauer, Regional Director of Seagate DACH.

Equally upbeat is Thomas Wendrich, VP Sales Europe of SECUDE on the now confirmed partnership agreement for pan-European distribution of the latest technologies in disk encryption: "Actebis Peacock convinced us with its know-how and commitment to the SMB sector in Germany and throughout Europe. We see in Actebis Peacock a partner that can clearly identify customer benefits. They have proven this for years as a provider of Seagate solutions. The inclusion of FinallySecure in their portfolio constitutes another logical step in that development."

About SECUDE

SECUDE International AG is a market leader in SAP Security and End-to-End Data Protection, delivering a higher level of IT Security to organizations around the world. SECUDE is a member of SECUDE AG and was founded in 1996 out of a partnership between SAP AG and the Fraunhofer Institute in Darmstadt, Germany. Headquartered in Lucerne, Switzerland, we have a world-wide partner and customer base and with offices in Europe, USA, Asia, and the Middle East.

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