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Identicentric and Identyx Announce Partnership Companies team following release of Penrose Virtual Directory platform

BRANCHBURG, NJ – April, 19th, 2006 -- Identicentric, an exclusive provider of identity and security solutions, and Identyx, a leading provider of Virtual directory software announced a strategic partnership today, aimed at delivering Virtual directory solutions to the enterprise. The announcement coincides with the release of Penrose virtual directory software platform by Identyx earlier this week.

The adoption of virtual directory technology to solve complex identity problems in the enterprise has grown sharply over the past two years. According to Stephen Lombardo, founder of Identicentric and an early proponent of Virtual Directory technology, "Many organizations are rushing to implement new identity technologies to plug compliance gaps and increase overall security". Yet most companies are still heavily tied to investments in existing identity repositories, many of which are completely opaque to modern provisioning, access management, and application systems. Jim Yang, founder and CEO of Identyx noted, "Virtual directory is the simplest and most viable method of reducing identity silos and building a universal identity store. By avoiding physical data migration, the process of creating a single and unified virtual profile of your customers, partners and employees would take only days instead of weeks or months"

The partnership is poised to increase business value for Identyx and Identicentric customers. By leveraging Penrose, companies can expect to reduce implementation costs for their identity management efforts by joining their numerous identity stores into a single virtual system accessible by any LDAP aware client. Identicentric, a company with a wealth of experience delivering virtual directory projects, specializes in the design, deployment, and integration of virtual directory within applications and COTS products. Under this new agreement Identicentric will become a certified provider of integration services for the Penrose virtual directory platform. The agreement may also pave the way for future integration between Identicentric's idBUS and Penrose.

"The role of LDAP directory services is downplayed by many vendors in the identity management space today. Make no mistake though; directory systems still form the backbone of nearly every enterprise identity management deployment. Instead of building complex integrations to ship data between these systems, Penrose provides a lightweight and direct method of exposing data sources using LDAP.", said Lombardo, "Plus, Penrose features like data source adapters, pass-through authentication, and schema mapping increase the long-term flexibility of directory environments by an order of magnitude." According to Yang, "Penrose builds upon the foundation of a strong open source product, adding advanced features and enterprise support in a fully quality assured package."

"Identicentric strongly believes that virtual directories will continue to shape the landscape of identity management deployments and we are very excited about the opportunity to help customers leverage the Penrose platform", said Lombardo. Yang echoed the sentiment, saying "Identyx understands that customers often need to work with a dedicated and experienced implementation team. That is why we're partnering with Identicentric – because they are a recognized leader in the deployment space and have a unique perspective on the technology".

About Penrose

Penrose is an open source virtual directory server project. For additional information on Penrose please visit <http://penrose.safehaus.org>.

About Identicentric

Identicentric is an exclusive provider of identity management solutions that enable large companies to rapidly deploy and integrate identity aware applications across multiple enterprise platforms. Identicentric's flagship software, idBUS, exposes a service-oriented view of an organization's identity infrastructure and repositories. Identicentric's service organization focuses on providing senior expert resources that mitigate the risks of complex identity and security projects. For additional information on Identicentric please visit <http://www.Identicentric.com/>.

About Identityx

Identityx, Inc develops and markets a family of identity integration servers and tools for linking and managing their identity information that are stored in a disparate data sources. Penrose, Identityx's flagship software, is available as free software under GNU General Public License (GPL) and also under traditional licensing agreement for cases where the intended use is incompatible with the GPL. For additional information on Identityx please visit <http://www.identityx.com>.

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