



Microsoft and Compuware Partner to Share Best Practices for Application-level Security

10-City Workshop Begins April 4 in Dallas, Provides Practical Information to Identify Common Security Vulnerabilities and Development Techniques to Correct Them

DETROIT, March 28 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Compuware Corporation (Nasdaq: CPWR), a founding member of the Microsoft Visual Studio Integration Program and a Microsoft Technology Center Alliance Member, today announced that it will conduct a series of 10 workshops jointly with Microsoft Corp.

Designed for architects, development leads, security analysts and quality assurance analysts, the workshops will convey best practices for writing secure code, identifying and ranking threats to applications and including security in the software development life cycle. In addition to identifying platform-independent vulnerabilities, the mitigation techniques discussed and demonstrated will be specific to the .NET Framework and Visual Studio 2005 tools.

"As .NET environments proliferate across corporate enterprises, Microsoft customers want to ensure the secure and successful deployment of their applications by utilizing documented best practices and proven, third-party tools like those offered by Compuware," said Mark Brown, Senior Marketing Manager, US Developer Marketing at Microsoft - Redmond.

The half-day workshops will begin April 4 in Dallas. The remaining workshops take place April 18 in San Francisco; April 19 in Downer's Grove, Ill.; April 20 in Bellevue, Wash.; April 25 in Los Angeles; May 2 in Detroit; May 4 in Nashville; May 4 in Denver; May 9 in Cleveland and May 11 in Minneapolis.

"Compuware is excited to be working closely with Microsoft on this important topic. These workshops are extremely powerful and timely, especially considering that industry analyst research indicates that up to 75 percent of all web attacks happen at the application layer," said Drew Stirton, Vice President, Partner Business Development, Compuware Corporation. "Our goal is to accelerate the adoption of the latest technologies and best practices that help development organizations write and maintain more secure applications."

Participants interested in registering should go to http://www.compuware.com/events/832_ENG_HTML.htm and click on any one of the dates listed.

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