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## Tech Data Named a Top 20 IT Training Company

*Distinction recognizes the world-class education and training offerings from Tech Data, the only technology distributor on list*

CLEARWATER, Fla., Dec. 18, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [Tech Data](#) (Nasdaq: TECD) today announced that it has been named as one of the 2017 "[Top 20 IT Training Companies](#)" by [Training Industry, Inc.](#) Through its education and training solutions, Tech Data provides global certified IT training in more than 60 countries throughout the Americas, Europe and the Asia Pacific regions, and has been honored with this designation for the past six years under the [ExitCertified](#) name, as well as the past four years under the [former Avnet Academy name](#)—both of which are now part of Tech Data. The "Top 20 IT Training Companies List" is part of Training Industry's mission to continually monitor the training marketplace for the best providers of IT training services/technologies in support of corporate learning and development.

"This esteemed recognition reaffirms our commitment to delivering the most engaging and value-added education solutions to our valued partner ecosystem," said Rich Hume, executive vice president, chief operating officer at Tech Data. "For more than a decade, we have provided individual and corporate clients with exceptional learning experiences, and this acknowledgment by Training Industry will serve to further highlight our team's dedication to that end."

Selection to Training Industry's 2017 Top 20 IT Training Companies List was based on the following criteria:

- | Breadth and quality of IT training content and courses
- | Leadership and innovation in IT training
- | Company size and growth potential
- | Quality and number of clients
- | Awards, recognition and competitive differentiation

Tech Data offers a variety of education and training solutions, including strategic training paths for the certification skills required to support today's technologies, while offering a broad curriculum of application-focused courses for clients looking to implement new or upgraded business applications. Both Tech Data Academy and ExitCertified offer training services authorized by the top technology vendors, work with customers and channel partners to design learning plans by vendors or by technology solutions, including cloud, data analytics and internet of things (IoT), data center, mobility, and security and networking.

"The companies on this year's 'Top 20 IT Training Companies' list lead the way in providing IT infrastructure, programming and database training," said Ken Taylor, president of Training Industry, Inc. "The companies selected for the '2017 IT Training Companies Top 20' list have adapted their content and courses over time to accommodate learner preferences and desired delivery modalities."

Training Industry prepares Top 20 reports on critical sectors of the training marketplace as part of its mission to continually monitor the training marketplace for the best providers of training services and technologies. Due to the diversity of client requirements in the IT training marketplace, no attempt is made to rank the "Top 20."

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For more information on Tech Data Education and Training, visit the [Tech Data Academy](#) and [ExitCertified](#) websites or call (800) 237-8931.

### About Tech Data

Tech Data connects the world with the power of technology. Our end-to-end portfolio of products, services and solutions, highly specialized skills, and expertise in next-generation technologies enable channel partners to bring to market the products and solutions the world needs to connect, grow and advance. Tech Data is ranked No. 107 on the Fortune 500<sup>®</sup> and has been named one of Fortune's World's Most Admired Companies for eight straight years. To find out more, visit [www.techdata.com](http://www.techdata.com) or follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Facebook](#).

## About Training Industry, Inc.

Training Industry, Inc. spotlights the latest news, articles, case studies and best practices within the training industry and publishes annual Top 20 and Watch List reports covering many sectors of interest to the corporate training function. Our focus is on helping dedicated businesses and training professionals get the information, insight and tools needed to more effectively manage the business of learning.

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