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PoINT Storage Manager 5.2 now available

Siegen. In its ongoing development of the PoINT Storage Manager, developer PoINT Software & Systems GmbH has focused on supporting additional cloud and object storage platforms and integrating new features. This means that the software is now more flexible, more powerful and more user-friendly than ever.

Additional supported platforms in this release include the latest version of the object storage system NetApp StorageGRID Webscale (10.2) and version 8.3 of the NetApp storage operating system Clustered Data ONTAP. With these additions, PoINT hopes to push forward its partnership with NetApp which has been in place since 2010.

Collaboration with EMC as a technology partner has now also made it possible to support EMC Elastic Cloud Storage (ECS). This means that ECS can also be used as an archive device within the PoINT Storage Manager, allowing secure, easy storage and archiving of inactive data within the system.

Users who rely on access to Amazon S3 for archiving and data storage can now use Signature Version 4 authentication thanks to the upgraded PoINT Connector for Amazon S3, increasing the range of possible Amazon S3 access points.

Version 5.2 of the PoINT Storage Manager also includes a number of improvements and new functions. For example, the archiving process is now faster than ever, as PoINT has significantly increased performance yet again when saving data for archiving. The path length limit for source data has also been increased, expanding the range of potential applications for the PoINT Storage Manager. The software is now also compatible with deduplicated NTFS volumes, meaning that the NTFS deduplication often used with Windows-based file servers can now also be used in combination with the PoINT TAFS Agent.

Another new feature allows the administrator to change the source system type within the interface, making primary storage migration quicker and easier than ever. The PoINT Storage Manager's policy engine now also has a number of additional configurable criteria, increasing the software's flexibility and range of applications once again.

About PoINT

PoINT Software & Systems GmbH is specialized in the development of software products and systems solutions for storage and management of data using all available mass storage technologies like optical, hard disk, tape, cloud and object store. Close collaboration with leading hardware manufacturers enables an early support of innovative storage technologies. Besides these complete solutions PoINT also offers its know-how as Toolkits, which can be easily integrated in other applications by a programming interface. Furthermore PoINT projects entire storage solutions and provides consultancy with its long-term and versatile experience.

PoINT products are distributed by our partners in more than 25 countries worldwide and have been installed successfully in more than 2 million installations. PoINT customers range from end users expecting a compact and secure solution to large corporations, which meet with our solutions their complex demands by providing the necessary reliability and perfection.

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