



Capgemini India selects Cisco's network management solutions for robust network infrastructure

Cisco IP Telephony and Security solutions support Capgemini's distributed delivery model

Bangalore, India – May 17, 2006- Cisco Systems, the worldwide leader in networking for the Internet, today announced that Capgemini India, one of the leading providers of Consulting, Technology and Outsourcing services, has deployed an integrated communication network comprising Cisco's switching and routing solutions, as well as advanced technologies like IP Telephony and Security.

Headquartered in Paris, France Capgemini is one of the top five IT services and consulting companies worldwide. Its Indian arm is an important element in the Group's "Rightshore"™ business model that is a customized blend of onshore, nearshore and offshore capabilities. For enabling this distributed delivery of services, Capgemini India required robust network infrastructure and deployed Cisco's premier series of Catalyst switches and industry-leading 3700 and 2600 Routers to address a wide range of performance and service requirements, in addition to adopting Cisco's Network Management solutions for managing the LAN infrastructure. Capgemini also installed IP telephony infrastructure and the Intrusion Prevention System from Cisco's portfolio of Advanced Technologies, for meeting their business needs.

"Since the beginning, we have predominantly used Cisco solutions for our managing our network. As we expanded our operations in the country, Cisco kept pace and reaffirmed its technological prowess at each step of our growth. Cisco continues to provide us end to end robust and scalable network solutions that enable Capgemini to reduce costs and leverage its capacity and competencies across geographies, resulting in enhanced customer satisfaction," said **Christophe Du Vignaux, Vice President and Financial Controller, Capgemini Consulting India.**

"Capgemini's distributed delivery model implies that it offers the right resource at the right place and the right price to a host of global customers – and this requirement can best be supported by IP-based network infrastructure that is easily scalable, always available, highly secure and future-proof. We are pleased that Cisco's IP solutions have ably supported Capgemini in increasing its business agility," said **B. Ashok, Senior Vice-President – IT Services, Cisco Systems, India and SAARC.**

At the core of the Capgemini network is Cisco's intelligent multi-layer modular switch, the Cisco Catalyst 6500 Series, and Catalyst 4500 Series switches at distribution and Catalyst 3550 / 3560 at the access layers respectively. The switching platform deploys 720 Gbps switching fabrics for the Core switches and Capgemini has deployed multi gigabit Ethernet backbone for their Local Area Networking (LAN).

For the routing function, Capgemini has deployed industry-leading 3700 and 2600 Routers for Data and Voice routing to address a wide range of performance and service requirements. Capgemini uses a wide variety of WAN options, including Leased circuits and ISDN PRI circuits.

Capgemini has nearly 1000 Cisco IP Phones currently installed, along with the Cisco Call Manager and Cisco Unity suite for voicemail. The Cisco IP telephony infrastructure runs on standards based Power over Ethernet (IEEE 802.3af). Capgemini uses industry-leading Firewall Services module on the core and Intrusion Prevention system 4240, providing integrated multi-level security. With this best-of-breed networking infrastructure, Capgemini helps its clients achieve better, faster, more sustainable business benefits.

About Capgemini India

Capgemini, one of the world's foremost providers of Consulting, Technology and Outsourcing services, has a unique way of working with its clients, which it calls the Collaborative Business Experience. Through commitment to mutual success and the achievement of tangible value, Capgemini helps businesses

implement growth strategies, leverage technology, and thrive through the power of collaboration. Capgemini employs approximately 61.000 people worldwide and reported 2005 global revenues of 6,954 million euros.

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