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Selecting and implementing a new financial management system

A masterclass from Sapphire Systems for the Not for Profit sector

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London, 05 August 2009. Sapphire Systems announce that it is to present a masterclass for the not for profit sector on selecting and implementing a new financial management system (FMS) on Thursday 24th September 2009.

Aimed at not-for-profit organisations that are considering changing their financial management system, but are unsure of where to start and have been put off by the cost of retaining advisors to assist in the process; Sapphire will advise on the search and selection process involved with choosing the FMS that is the right fit for an individual organisation, as well as covering the key steps involved in implementing a successful system.

The UK FMS market has undergone a radical transformation in recent years; software houses have merged, products have been acquired and integrated into larger application portfolios, there have been new entrants, some have fallen by the wayside and software as a service has started to emerge. Sapphire will review the UK FMS market and detail some of the major vendors non-profit organisations may wish to consider.

This morning event will include sessions on: critical features and functions required for the sector, reviewing requirements (has an existing FMS really been outgrown or is it underutilised?), solutions available on the market and the right approach to implementation.

Sapphire Systems has helped hundreds charities and non-profit organisations – at both local and global level - to implement best of breed financial and other back office solutions that help them:

- Deliver greater financial transparency, comparability and accountability.
- Achieve greater compliance with increasingly onerous financial governance and taxation regimes.
- Adapt to meet performance management, governance and risk management obligations.

With over 25% of its customer base consisting of not for profit organisations - including organisations within the Public Sector – Sapphire Systems is in an ideal position to advise on services to this fast changing sector.

Further information and the full agenda can be found at:

www.sapphiresystems.com

There is no charge to attend this event and lunch will be provided, additionally attendees will receive a free RFI template and whitepaper: *Selecting a Business System - Selecting a Reseller, The BASDA Request for Information (RFI) Selection Process.*

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About Sapphire Systems plc

Sapphire is the worlds leading reseller of SunSystems, an SAP Gold partner – number one for SAP Business One in EMEA. Since 1986, Sapphire has offered customers wide-ranging practical expertise in selecting and implementing advanced financial accounting and business management solutions and today provides software, services and support for hundreds of customers worldwide from their offices in the UK and USA. Sapphire is a founder member of the British Application Software Developers Association and was one of the first members to sign up to the BASDA Green Charter.

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