

## Media Release

### iiNet and Microsoft partner to drive adoption of virtual servers

**17 February 2011:** iiNet has joined forces with Microsoft to launch a virtual private server (VPS) offering for new and existing business customers looking to build and host their web applications in a secure and reliable environment – without the expense of maintaining dedicated servers.

The combination of iiNet's world class infrastructure and Microsoft's industry leading web server software means users can store their content on a local, secure and reliable platform while taking advantage of iiNet's fast broadband speeds and award winning customer service.

Steve Harley, iiNet's General Manager Business, said with small businesses relying on websites and web applications more than ever before, a VPS provides some great advantages and cost savings.

"Whether it's used for developing complex websites or a new mobile application, a VPS will provide developers with a dedicated platform to build applications free from restrictions typically found on a shared hosting environment," Mr Harley said.

Philip Goldie, Director of the Server and Tools Business Group at Microsoft Australia, said: "Microsoft is delighted to be partnering with iiNet to bring this comprehensive set of services to its customers. It's not only end users that will benefit greatly from this partnership - the developer community is set to gain many advantages too."

"As the most widely used Web platform in the market, our Web server software offers support for a variety of web application frameworks. Support for open source applications and tools extends the platform further – providing a seamless experience for Web developers," Mr Goldie said.

"Our partnership with Microsoft demonstrates our commitment to the IT community by providing them with the best possible environment at a great price point," Mr Harley said.

iiNet's Virtual Private Servers are available from a \$29.95 per month. For more information visit, <http://www.iiNet.net.au/business/vps>

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**WINNER**  
Innovation – Large  
Company Award,  
*ACOMMS Communications  
Alliance & CommsDay  
Awards 2010*



National Large Business - iiNet  
WA Large Business - iiNet  
WA Service Excellence in a  
Contact Centre – Westnet  
*Customer Service Institute of  
Australia (CSIA)*



**WINNER**  
Carrier of the Year Award,  
Highly commended - iiNet's  
'work from home' program,  
*Australian Telecommunications  
Users Group (ATUG)*

A full list of current awards  
can be seen at [iiNet Awards](http://iiNet Awards)

**About iiNet**

iiNet is Australia's second largest DSL Internet Service Provider (ISP) and the leading challenger in the telecommunications market. We employ more than 2000 inquisitive staff across four countries and support over 1.3 million broadband, telephony and Internet Protocol TV (IPTV) services nationwide.

We're a publicly listed company and we maintain our own super-fast broadband network. Our vision is to lead the market with products that harness the potential of the Internet and then differentiate with award-winning customer service.

To achieve this, we employ creative thinkers and true advocates of technology. Our people are a huge part of the iiNet success story, so we've developed a unique and stimulating work culture to ensure they remain engaged and inspired.

A lot has changed since our CEO founded iiNet in a suburban garage back in 1993 and the broadband landscape continues to evolve. What hasn't changed is our passion for the transformative benefits of the Internet and our commitment to helping Australians connect better.

**About Microsoft**

Founded in 1975, Microsoft (Nasdaq "MSFT") is the worldwide leader in software, services and solutions that help people and businesses realise their full potential. For more information about Microsoft Australia please visit [www.microsoft.com.au](http://www.microsoft.com.au).