The Next Generation of Partnering:

Software Value Plus for IBM Business Partners



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The Next Generation of Partnering:

Today's agenda

Reminder of IBM Software Value Plus

Order process from January 25th

Tools

Application process recap

Question and answer session



Driving growth through an investment in skills:

Software Value Plus



- Clients value skilled advisors
- IBM committed to strengthen Business Partner skills
- Strategy for driving growth through skills announced February
- IBM Software Value Plus is the implementation of that strategy



Business models to enable Business Partner growth

IBM Software Value Plus

Open Portfolio

Open

- Designed to reach the broadest market possible
- High levels of consumability
- All IBM Business Partners can resell

Authorized Portfolio

Software ValueNet

- Facilitates transition of high value Business
 Partners into IBM
- Includes skilled Business Partners from Filenet, Cognos, Infosphere, Optim

Authorized

- Designed to deliver leading capabilities
- IBM Business Partners with proven skills or solutions expertise can resell starting Jan 2010



Top 5 Frequently Asked Questions from our Business Partners

How do I find out what category a product is in?

- Visit the Software Value Plus page in IBM PartnerWorld for product alignment

Do the Authorized requirements apply in my country?

- The new requirements apply in 74 countries worldwide
- Visit the Software Value Plus page in IBM PartnerWorld for the complete list

Can I sell renewals for authorized products?

- You must be authorized for at least one product in the renewal to sell
- IBM encourages authorized Business Partners to sell renewals

Where do I go to enroll in authorized?

- In your <u>PartnerWorld profile</u> under Benefits and Relationships
- Enrollment dates vary by country. Visit the Software Value Plus PartnerWorld site

How do I obtain authorization for a new category after January 25th?

Apply through your <u>PartnerWorld Profile</u> after you have met the requirements



Authorized program will commence January 25, 2010

- Purpose: Increase client value, partner teaming and partner revenue
- Products: A majority of IBM Software products categorized into the following Authorization Groups (see product guide for an exact list of products)

| | WEBSPHER | E | | | | Information I | ation Management | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------|---------|---------------------------|-----|---------------|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Business Process Management | Commerce | | WebSphe | ere Core | ł | Heritage CM | Data Management | | |
| Rational | LOTUS | | | | TIV | OLI | | | |
| All | Portal | Storag Managen | | Security & Cor Managem | | Automation | Enterprise Asset Management | | |

- Process: Business partners must meet these requirements to sell Authorized offerings (NB: for either new license or renewal)
 - Membership in IBM PartnerWorld
 - Approved participation in SVI or VAP
 - For SVI: technical and sales skills
 - For VAP: approved solution

- Current PartnerPlan
- Minimum revenue participation levels within SVI and VAP after first year

Reselling Authorized Products







2010 Software Channel Launch and Kick-off

- Providing information on 2010 Sales Plays, Priorities and Announcements
- Details: January 25^{th,} 16.00 GMT 17.00 CET 18.00 EET 19.00 AST 20.00 GST
- Register TODAY!

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Life after January 25th – practical information for:

Software Value Plus for IBM Business Partners



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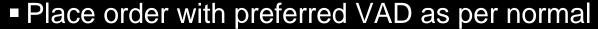
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Order process



- VAD enters order on web tool/B2B quoting approved Resellers ID
- IBM systems check order vs Reseller Authorisation and accept or reject the full order
- If order rejected because on non-Authorization VAD and BP need to agree next step, for instance
 - Process partial order if applicable
 - Team with other BPs
 - Order balance of order direct from IBM
 - **–** . . .
- If Renewal order then the order will be accepted as long as at least one product ordered is from an Authorized product group
 - Un-Authorized products will get a reduced margin of 5% or lower and no GB instant rebates will be paid to VAD



Special Bids

- The Special Bids tools are not impacted by the rollout of controlled distribution
- A Business Partner must be authorized to be listed on a quote, and to be authorized to be approved on a special bid
- Note: Multiple Business Partners on a quote require multiple bid submission
 - IT is aware of the issues manual work effort this causes and is looking at potential fixes





Transaction teaming to meet Client needs

Audited approach for addressing specific client requirements for single contracts. Varies by Geo.

Example of order flow (other versions can exist)

- 1. Non-Authorized BP is designated by End User as sole provider
- 2. End User issues PO to Non-Authorized BP
- Non-Authorized BP delivers copy of End User issued PO to Authorized BP listing End User for licensing purposes
- 4. Authorized BP orders IBM software through VAD
- 5. VAD delivers license (PoE) to End User designated on PO
- 6. Authorized BP sends Invoice to End User care of Non-Authorized BP
- 7. Non Authorized BP remits payment to Authorized BP on behalf of End User

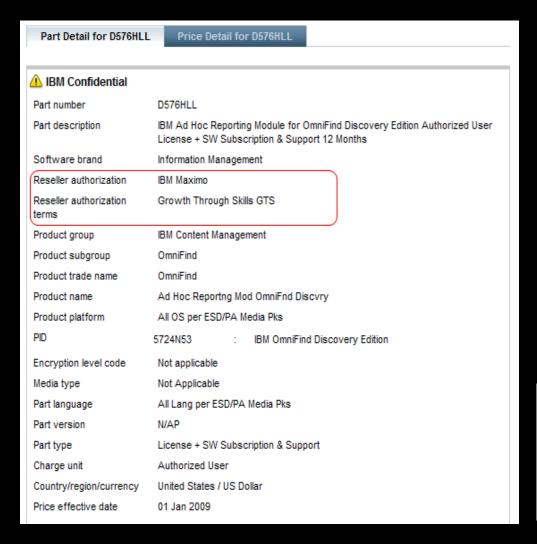


Tools





PQO - Part Number and Price file reminder



Reminder

Reseller authorization and reseller authorization group have been added to the price files and PQO

Fields will be populated when controlled distribution goes live in January

If reseller authorization is not required, you will see this:

| Software brand | Lotus Software | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Reseller authorization | No authorization required | | | |
| Reseller authorization terms | No authorization required | | | |
| Product group | Desktop | | | |



Enhanced Benefits for Authorized Partners

SVP Authorized Business Partner Finder Tool

- Broader exposure to clients
- Cross-brand highlighting authorizations
- Customers can find their local authorized reseller
- Search by Brand, Product, Country, and Partner
- Results include Partner Web Site and City
- Part of Jan 25th Channel Launch

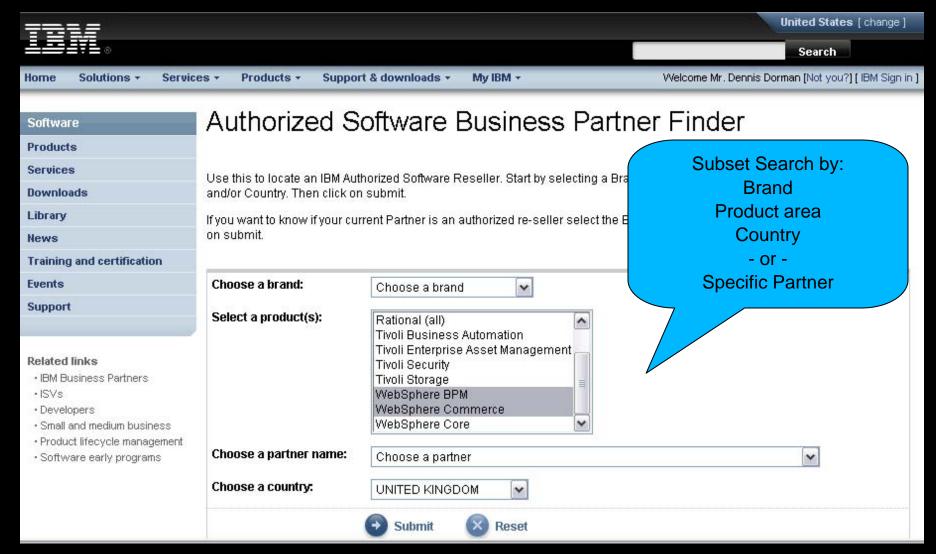


Value: additional visibility for authorized Business Partners

Find out more....ibm.com/software/info/abpfinder

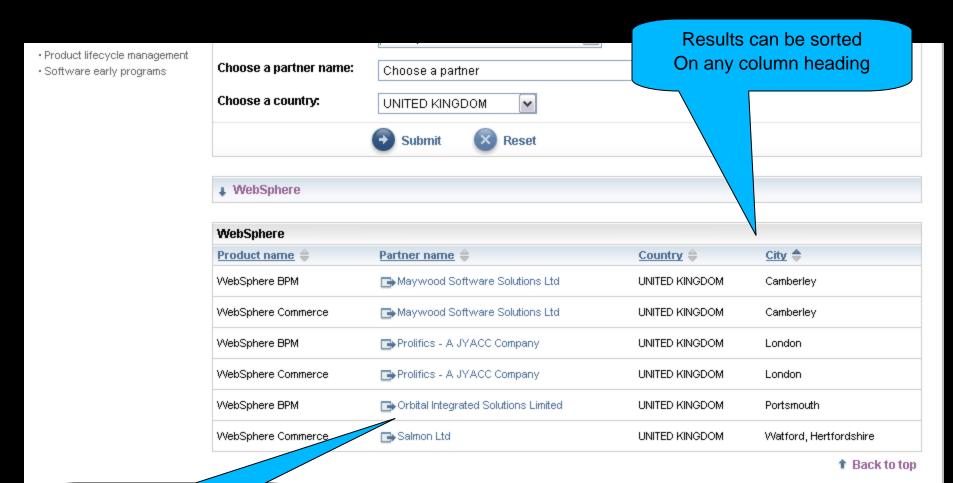


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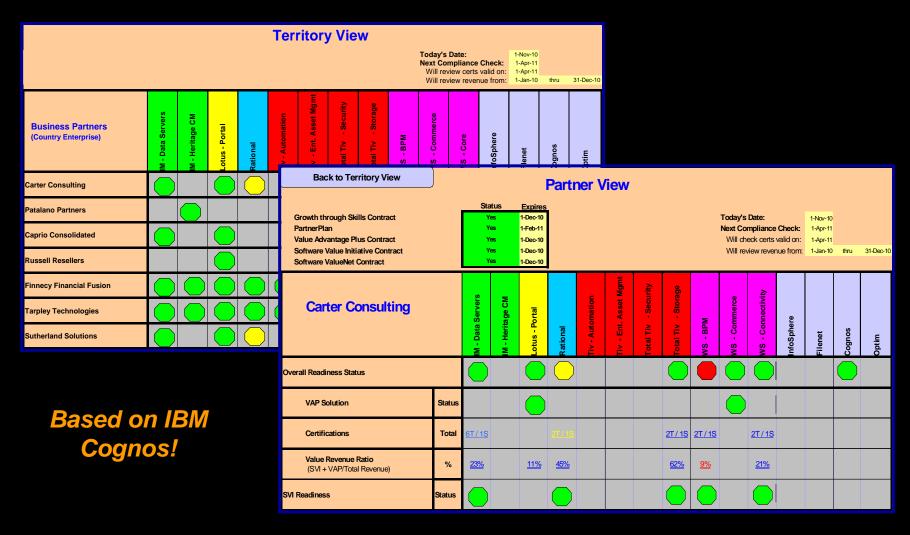


Click Partner Name to reach their Website



Coming in April 2010: Manage your Authorization

IBM Software Business Partner Readiness Dashboard





Applications process recap

Two Paths...Use either or both paths to gain authorization





SVI Roadmap for Countries Participating in Software Reseller Authorization

- 1. Join IBM PartnerWorld if not already a member.
- 2. Obtain the required IBM Professional <u>Certifications</u> per product group: 1 IBM Sales Certification and 2 IBM Technical Certifications.
- 3. Review IBM PartnerWorld® Agreement International; Software Value Incentive Offering Attachment and Software Value Incentive Business Partner Operations Guide, which you will accept during the SVI enrollment process.
- 4. Apply to Software Value Incentive (SVI).
- 5. IBM will send an email of the SVI approved product groups.

 Additional product groups may be requested when Business Partner has met the certification or SWVN requirements.



VAP Roadmap

- 1. Become an IBM PartnerWorld member
- 2. Review and print the Value Advantage Plus Registration Guide for guidance on filling out the application.
- Review the Value Advantage Plus <u>Terms and Conditions</u> which you will accept when you apply for Value Advantage Plus in your PartnerWorld profile IBM PartnerWorld® Agreement – Value Advantage Plus Attachment.

4. Complete and submit the online <u>Value Advantage Plus Application</u> included in Partner Profile under "Benefits and Relationships"



If you are certified and approved in SVI or have an approved solution (VAP), take the next step!

- Ensure your PartnerPlan is current
- Complete and save the EMEA Additional information file
- Review the Authorization Agreement
- Apply for Authorization





To Join SVP-Authorized for an additional Reseller Authorisation Group

Based on Certifications

- 1. Get necessary certifications
- 2. Apply to **SVI** for the Reseller Authorisation Group
- 3. When notified that the application has been approved in SVI for this Reseller Authorisation Group Take the next step

Based on Solutions

- 1. Put a Solution in place
- 2. Apply to **VAP** for the Reseller Authorisation Group solution
- 3. When notified that the application as been approved in VAP for this Reseller Authorisation Group Take the next step

4. Apply to join SVP-Authorized for above Reseller Authorisation Group



How to reapply when Denied to join SVP or denied for a Reseller Authorisation Group in SVP

- 1. Correct reason for denial
 - Examples
 - Update Partner Plan
 - Get required Certifications and apply to SVI and get approved
 - Put solution in place and apply to VAP and get approved
- 2. Delete the denied entry for SVP-Authorized on PW
- 3. Apply to join SVP-Authorized

In case of problems please contact your IBM rep or call PWCS



Take the next step today!

- Get <u>certified</u> and <u>enroll in SVI</u> or have a qualifying <u>solution</u> and <u>enroll in Value Advantage Plus</u>
- Ensure your <u>PartnerPlan</u> is current
- Review the <u>Authorization Agreement</u>
- Apply for <u>Authorization</u>



Remember: From 25th January orders containing <u>any</u> product from a Reseller Authorization Group that the Reseller is not authorized for will be denied



Effective January 25, 2010

- Price books updated with the Reseller Authorization groups
- Fulfillment system will begin checking for Business Partner authorization rules
 - New License authorization
 - Renewal authorization
- Value Advantage Plus for authorized products moved to Reseller Authorization groups
- SVI moved to Reseller Authorization groups

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Questions and Answers



Thank You