

Employee Connect Launches 'New Generation' Employee Web Portal

Sydney, 8 November 2001 ... Sydney-based portal solutions developer EmployeeConnect has broken new ground in the employee intranet solutions market with the release today of EmployeeConnect Version 4.

The first in a 'New Generation' of role-based Web portal solutions, EmployeeConnect V4 is a substantial upgrade to EmployeeConnect's flagship product. Version 4 has the flexibility to streamline a wide range of business processes with capabilities that extend beyond traditional HR and Payroll.

The EmployeeConnect solution is based on a pure Internet architecture, allowing Web applications to be easily configured to an organisation's specific business requirements. Version 4 provides a framework for all types of business transactions regardless of the organisation's existing back-end system.

EmployeeConnect saves organisation's time and money by reducing administration while enabling employees to view and update various types of personal and company information.

"These days it is not enough to simply Web-enable an organisation's HR and Payroll systems", said Craig MacDonald, Director of Product Development from EmployeeConnect. "To gain the maximum return on their investment in employee portal technology, today's companies want solutions that improve a whole variety of day-to-day business processes – this is what EmployeeConnect V4 delivers.

"The majority of existing corporate intranets are little more than central document repositories that are far more organisation-centric than user-centric. Our solution gives employees fast, easy and reliable access to various types of up-to-date and relevant information. As a solution that can integrate with any type of back-end system, EmployeeConnect can deliver a personalised, collaborative experience across any number of operational areas."

Any department within a company stands to gain significant process improvements from the implementation of EmployeeConnect V4. The solution's integrated workflow capabilities mean that any paper-based business process can become Web-based quickly and efficiently. From this application alone, the cost savings resulting from the improved use of time and other resources can be substantial.

The EmployeeConnect solution applies a variety of data sources and information mediums, all converging within one easy-to-access location. Online communication, employee and management self-service, role-based information access, internal and external content, search capabilities and integrated workflow are all available at the one access point. This rich array of capabilities combine to provide a total solution addressing the full range of portal requirements.

Since the first version was launched in 1998, the EmployeeConnect Web-based portal has become an in-demand solution amongst Australia's corporates. Customer's range from small to medium enterprises to large corporate's including BHP, Optus, Freight Corp, Corporate Express and Nortel Networks.

For more information on EmployeeConnect Version 4 contact EmployeeConnect on 61 2 9837 5810 or visit the EmployeeConnect web site at www.employeeconnect.com.au

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