

T-Plan Ltd acquires test automation specialist VNCRobot

Highlights

T-Plan Ltd (T-Plan), the UK based Integration and Test Management company, is pleased to announce that it has acquired VNCRobot, a test automation solution. Terms were not disclosed.

This solution is highly complementary to the T-Plan Quality Solutions suite as it addresses the next logical step in the Testing Process. VNCRobot technology automates the actions of the end user, enabling highly manual elements of the testing process to be automated, dramatically reducing the regression testing cycle and replacing highly labour intensive manual activity with an efficient automated process.

VNCRobot has received over 4,300 unique downloads per year from the VNCRobot site alone.

As a result of this acquisition, T-Plan will benefit from:

- an 'end to end' product portfolio. Dealing with Requirements Integration into Test Management and then optimizing the testing with efficient Test Automation;
- a larger combined customer base, including a significant number of blue-chip organisations;
- greater penetration of the strategically important US technology market;
- greater scale which will enable the enlarged company to better meet the growing demands of the combined customer base;

Commenting on the acquisition, Steve Marshall, Chief Executive Officer of T-Plan, said:

"T-Plan sees significant value for customers and shareholders as a result of this deal. Acquiring the VNCRobot Automation business is a logical extension to our existing proposition, and we see strong growth potential in this market. With continued growth in our Quality Solutions Portfolio and a strengthening of our management team we are in a great position to quickly realise the benefits of this acquisition."

Robert Pes, VNCRobot Managing Director, said:

"As IT projects get more and more complex, integration of a standalone testing tool into a test management framework is a logical step to achieve structured and organized approach to the whole QA process with predictable costs and results. Impressed with the T-Plan test management product line as well as the company culture, I'm pleased to bring VNCRobot to their portfolio and I am convinced that integration of our products will create a compelling proposition unmatched in the QA industry."

Background notes to Editors

T-Plan evaluated a number of acquisition opportunities in the test automation market, as part of a strategic plan to adopt 'Agile' methodology which is becoming increasingly important to our customers.

T-Plan was particularly impressed with the VNCRobot architecture as it provides full cross platform support and utilizes the Java programming language to extend the functionality rather than a proprietary language. This provides a truly global reach for the Test Automation solution.

Users are represented across the major platforms in the following proportions: Windows 75%, Linux 15% and others 10%.

About T-Plan

Founded in 1999, T-Plan provides Integration and Test Management Software to help customers Reduce Business Risk, Regulate their Processes and Reduce time to market. For additional information please visit www.t-plan.com.

About VNCRobot

Founded in 2005, the VNCRobot project provides advanced software for automated software testing based on remote desktop technologies. Learn more at www.vncrobot.com.

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