



## News Release

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### **Planit brings Learntesting to Australia and New Zealand** *Local software testing and training company enhances training and certification for testers*

**Sydney, Australia – October 20, 2009** – Independent Australian software testing and training organisation, Planit, has become the local partner for online training resource, Learntesting, to help Australian and New Zealand businesses improve the quality of their software testing.

Learntesting is a new online hub that provides a global network of expert training resources. It provides access to online instructor-led courses, virtual classrooms, blended offerings, e-books and a range of other software testing related content, including free papers and presentations. Throughout the rest of 2009 and 2010 the portal will expand significantly and will include the addition of Planit's course materials.

As the local partner for the portal, Planit is the administrator of the exams for Australian and New Zealand students and will provide technical support. Planit's Managing Director, Chris Carter, says consolidating global content and administering it through local testing providers in each country provides an alternative to traditional classroom training.

"For distributed workforces this type of training is a cheaper alternative, by about 50 per cent, to classroom learning," says Carter. "We all know that continuing to invest in training your staff is essential and this portal allows businesses to do just that, in a more cost-effective and less disruptive way.

"Contract software testers, who often foot the bill for their own training and have to absorb the time they could be charging out, will also benefit from the reduced costs and easy access the portal provides. The qualifications they receive will then give them an edge when competing for new business."

Learntesting offers its content in a variety of formats to suit all types of learning styles. From tutor-presented videos to voice-overs and sample exam papers, businesses and individuals alike can benefit from the portal.

## **About Planit**

Planit provides independent software testing and systems assurance to maximise business and IT performance. By combining best practice software testing methodologies, people and tools, Planit provides thorough, efficient and economic testing which is aligned with organisations' business strategies. Planit was originally established as a subsidiary of a UK company and, since an MBO in 1999, the company has grown substantially, with offices in Sydney and Melbourne and clients in Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom. Additional information about Planit is available at [www.planit.net.au](http://www.planit.net.au).