CAST PROVIDES WINDOW INTO STRUCTURAL SOFTWARE QUALITY WITH NEW CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Launches first program to certify output of software development; delivers transparency into a business' software quality

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New York, New York, Date ## -- CAST, the world-leading provider of software analysis and measurement technology, launches the [CAST Software Certification Program](#) to provide organizations with standards-based verification of the quality of their critical systems. The new certification is a significant evolution in IT maturity, moving beyond the current industry model that only certifies software development processes, but not the output.

CAST's new certification program is the first of its kind to certify the output of software development, enabling companies to understand how their applications stand up against the most stringent software quality standards for reliability, performance, security and maintainability.

"Software is an essential component of modern daily life, and if its structural integrity is not sound and secure, it can be harmful to businesses, financial markets and the public-at-large," said Lev Lesokhin, Executive Vice President of Strategy and Market Development at CAST. "Buildings, roads and bridges must comply with engineering standards before they are integrated into public infrastructure. Similarly, software engineers need a way to measure the quality of newly developed or enhanced software—before they are deployed into environments that impact all of us. This standard model was not available until now."

The CAST Software Certification Program is based on quality standards published by the Consortium for IT Software Quality (CISQ)—an independent industry group of software technology professionals committed to improving software application quality. By certifying the level of compliance to stringent and industry-recognized CISQ quality characteristic measures, companies obtain a clear picture of the quality of their software. The certificate can be further used to provide transparency to companies' internal and external customers, casting a light on the health of business-critical software.

CAST's Software Certification Program uses the [CAST Application Intelligence Platform](#)—a software quality analysis and measurement solution—to measure the compliance of software to stringent CISQ quality standards.

About CAST
CAST is a pioneer and world leader in software analysis and measurement, with unique technology resulting from more than $100 million in R&D investment. CAST introduces fact-based transparency into application development and sourcing to transform it into a management discipline. More than 250 companies across all industry sectors and geographies rely on CAST to prevent business disruption while reducing hard IT costs and software risk. CAST is an integral part of software delivery and maintenance at the world's leading IT service providers. Founded in 1990, CAST is listed on NYSE-Euronext (Euronext: CAS) and serves IT intensive enterprises worldwide with offices in North America, Europe and India.

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