



Konica Minolta Recognized with Industry Accolades for its Security Offerings

Bizhub Multifunction Printers Receive Platinum, Gold and Silver Awards for their Secret Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNet) Solution

Ramsey, NJ, Dec. 14, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc. (Konica Minolta) was honored with receiving three, 2018 'ASTORS' Homeland Security Awards from American Security Today. Konica Minolta's bizhub MFP's, featuring the SIPRNet software solution, received a Platinum Award for Best Smart Card Reader; a Gold Award for Best Access Control & Authentication System, and a Silver Award for Best Identification Management Solution.



SIPRNet is a classified network used by U.S. agencies like the Department of Defense (DoD) and the U.S. Department of State to transmit classified information (up to and including information classified SECRET) by packet switching over their 'completely secure' environment. Simply put, SIPRNet is the DOD's classified version of the civilian Internet.



Konica Minolta's SIPRNet solution provides authorized personnel access to this "Secret" network while protecting against unauthorized access, meeting all National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and related government standards. Konica Minolta bizhub MFP's ship with 90meter SIPRNet middleware embedded in the MFP, providing the same level of security as a user sitting at their PC or workstation. It meets the federal government's requirement for "two-factor" authentication and facilitates the use of public key infrastructure (PKI) authentication tools.



These award-winning systems and solutions are the outcome of working with 90meter's proprietary Smart Card Manager-90 software. California-based 90meter, Inc. developed software to realize the full benefit of the SIPRNet, a card security system used to provide document encryption for both scan and print applications, cryptographic signatures for scan to e-mail, and authoritative use of identity credentials.



Konica Minolta is expanding their ability to support the U.S. Government – especially the Department of Defense requirements to satisfy Strong Authentication to all employees and contractors, by introducing Konica Minolta's SIPRNet Token Solution for smartcard authentication.

"We are very pleased and honored to have received these 'ASTOR' Homeland Security Awards from American Security Today. All government organizations are tasked with making sure their data is not compromised, which is something that Konica Minolta has recognized and made sure it was part of their investment and product development strategy," said Todd Foote, vice president, Government

Sales and Marketing. "Being recognized solidifies that strategy as we continue to bring award winning technology to our customers." Foote added.

The Annual 'ASTORS' Awards is a prestigious program that highlights the most cutting-edge and forward-thinking security solutions coming onto the market today.

The program is specifically designed to honor distinguished government and vendor solutions that deliver enhanced value, benefit and intelligence to end users in a variety of government, homeland security and public safety vertical markets.

About 90meter, Inc.

90meter, Inc. is a trusted cyber security firm that develops zero trust PKI solutions for the United States Government. 90meter, specializes in building unique hardware and software for information assurance while providing test, quality assurance and consulting services.

About Konica Minolta

Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc. is reshaping and revolutionizing the Workplace of the Future™ (www.reshapework.com) with its expansive smart office product portfolio from IT Services (All Covered), ECM, Managed Print Services and industrial and commercial print solutions. Konica Minolta has been recognized as the #1 Brand for Customer Loyalty in the MFP Office Copier Market by Brand Keys for 11 consecutive years, and is proud to be ranked on the Forbes 2017 America's Best Employers list. The World Technology Awards recently named the company a finalist in the IT Software category. Konica Minolta, Inc. has been named to the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index for six consecutive years. It partners with its clients to give shape to ideas and work to bring value to our society. For more information, please visit: www.CountOnKonicaMinolta.com and follow Konica Minolta on Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter.