

OrderWork

The IT Services Marketplace

OrderWork partners with CompTIA to recognise A+ and other certifications on its IT skills trading platform

May 2007 - CompTIA, the leading accreditation body, and OrderWork, the IT services platform, are pleased to announce a partnership that will bring transparency and quality to UK IT skills.

As part of a new arrangement between the two organizations, IT firms can now list their CompTIA accreditations on OrderWork, the UK's first IT trading platform. This includes A+, Network+, Server+, Security+ or even Authorised Service Centre status. These will be verified by OrderWork and added to suppliers' profiles.

The new partnership allows OrderWork buyers to select CompTIA-accredited technicians, while suppliers that have invested in CompTIA-accredited technicians can see a return on their investment as they receive more requests for work. Firms use OrderWork to find extra resources for projects, installations and staff cover. Suppliers, such as VARs and local services firms that have spare capacity, can accept appropriate work routed to them online.

More than 1,300 suppliers are already registered and vetted on the OrderWork platform. Since its launch in May 2006 the platform has grown rapidly and is now trading over 1,500 jobs a month, ranging from small scale IT upgrades to month-long implementations.

"Ensuring supplier quality is our number one aim, and CompTIA certifications are a terrific way for firms to differentiate themselves on our platform, thereby receiving more work", said Neil Bradford, CEO of OrderWork.

"We are pleased to support OrderWork's innovative solution to helping IT firms cope with skills gaps and peaks in demand", said Matthew Poyiadgi, Regional Director Europe for CompTIA. "CompTIA certifications have become a widely recognised mark of quality by employers, and now can be used to the same effect via OrderWork."

About OrderWork

OrderWork, the trading platform for IT skills, is the new way to source and buy a broad range of vetted IT skills across the UK. It services the external IT resourcing market of one hour to three months by providing easy access to essential IT skills. From a single source OrderWork is able to provide access to the best IT skills at competitive rates using its online system. OrderWork is already making projects and expansion more cost effective and manageable by building relationships with suppliers, monitoring the quality of services and delivering capacity across the country. For further information visit www.orderwork.co.uk or call 0845 373 3572

About CompTIA

In 2007, CompTIA is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Just as the information technology (IT) industry it serves has grown, CompTIA has also enjoyed remarkable growth over the past 25 years. The organization was founded by representatives of five micro-computer dealerships working together to find better ways to do business. Today, CompTIA has more than 22,000 member companies in over 100 countries around the world; and serves as the voice of the world's \$1 trillion-plus IT industry. CompTIA is committed to advancing the long-term success and growth of the IT industry by helping organizations maximize the benefits they receive from their investments in technology; and by helping individuals to obtain the skills and credentials they need for productive careers in IT.