# F5 and Microsoft PARTNERSHIP OVERVIEW





"It appeared that F5 and Microsoft had done a lot of work together to integrate their products. That close integration between F5 and Microsoft was a driving factor in our decision."

Kevin Rice, Global Network Architect, A.T. Kearney

## The F5 and Microsoft Technology Partnership

# F5 Networks and Microsoft have collaborated for more than a decade to jointly deliver leading IT solutions that enable organizations to reap the most value from their Microsoft investments. This deep integration, expert deployment guidance, and a vibrant support community enable F5<sup>®</sup> products to enhance Microsoft technologies—from applications and infrastructure to cloud solutions—with maximum availability, performance, and security. In fact, many of Microsoft's own global services, both internal and external, use F5 BIG-IP<sup>®</sup> devices.

#### Improved Performance and Productivity

F5 products ensure intelligent application delivery by placing a strategic point of control in the infrastructure to increase the security, availability, and performance of Microsoft applications. The detailed deployment guidance provided by F5 can accelerate time to market while mitigating the risk of delayed or failed deployments, thus freeing organizations to focus on strategic priorities and pursue new opportunities. Gain maximum value from existing Microsoft investments to extend current resources and increase ROI.

#### **Key benefits**

- Secure Microsoft infrastructures
  Optimize Microsoft application
- performance • Achieve a dynamic data center
- Consolidate user identity
- management

#### Learn more

For more information about F5 and Microsoft solutions go to <u>f5.com/Microsoft</u> to find resources about these products.

#### **Application Ready Guides**

- · Exchange Server 2010
- · Lync Server
- · SharePoint Server

#### White Papers

- · Unified Communications Needs Unified Infrastructure
- Dell Technical White Paper: SharePoint Server 2010 Large Farm Performance Study
- Hardware Load Balancing for Optimal Microsoft Exchange Server 2010 Performance

#### **Case Studies**

- · A.T. Kearney
- · Reliance Protectron
- · Human Rights Watch

#### **Deployment Guides**

- · Exchange Server 2010
- · SharePoint Server 2010
- · Lync Server 2010
- · Internet Information Services

In addition, read these white papers on Microsoft.com.

- Microsoft Exchange Tested Solution with F5
- <u>Technical white paper by Microsoft</u>
  <u>on their internal deployment</u>
- · Load-balancing requirements from TechNet



#### Secure Microsoft infrastructures

Protect the deployments that help run your business with powerful network and protocol-level security and attack filtering.

#### Achieve a dynamic data center

Increase agility and resource utilization with an intelligent approach to application delivery that reflects deep understanding of Microsoft technologies.

### Optimize Microsoft application performance

Deliver a better user experience with F5 intelligent load balancing, SSL offloading, TCP optimization, and scalability.

#### Consolidate user identity management

Manage user access to both on-premise and Office365 application resources to deliver a seamless single sign-on experience.

To find out how F5 and Microsoft joint solutions can help your business, contact microsoftpartnership@f5.com or visit www.f5.com/microsoft.

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