

HarvestRoad selected by IBM Hosting Partner

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Corporate Learning Systems (CLS), IBM's eLearning hosting partner in Asia Pacific, has selected HarvestRoad Hive as its Learning Content Management System (LCMS).

CLS will host the Hive software alongside the IBM Lotus Learning Management System (LMS) and offer the software as a hosted service to its clients, including IBM as part of its Virtual Campus offering.

In addition, CLS will undertake any integration that is required between IBM Lotus LMS and Hive, and with customers' backend business systems.

"HarvestRoad Hive will allow us to provide our with a complete a LMS/LCMS solution delivered from our data centre." Said Alex Moulder, Managing Director of Corporate Learning Systems. Corporate Learning Systems has always been focused delivering robust, scalable and sustainable solutions. We have chosen to work with IBM and HarvestRoad not only because of the application offerings but because both organisations have a commitment to the future development of the products. In the aftermath of the dot-com era this is as important to our customers as the software itself. We believe that the offering of the two products puts us in a unique position in Asia Pacific and gives our customers a truly "best of breed" solution

"The benefit of an independent, federated digital repository that is designed from the outset to be deployed across multiple organisations from a single server installation makes life much easier for the application service provider (ASP)", said Grame Barty, Executive Chairman of HarvestRoad. "We started talking about ASP opportunities way back in 1996 when we delivered our first products, and it's gratifying to see such interest in ASP offerings now in 2003. CLS offer an outstanding service and we're starting to see organisations take advantage of the services that an ASP like CLS can provide", he continued.

Customers interested in licensing the services of a learning management system or learning content management system can now do so without needing to worry about the purchase, installation and maintenance of hardware and software, or needing to hire the skills to perform these tasks. CLS can offer a range of configurations of HarvestRoad Hive, from a single category in a shared "bureau", to a completely independent bureau or a collection of bureaus.

About Corporate Learning Systems

Founded in 1994, Melbourne-based Corporate Learning Systems is IBM Lotus' premier Australian e-learning business partner and one of only 4 hosting partners in the world. A core part of its business is the provision of robust, reliable, redundant and secure e-learning hosting services to a wide variety of Australian and international customers. They include government, academic and corporation organisations.

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