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## conject certified by TÜV Süd

### The Project Space conjectPM now bears the title of "s@fer Website"

**Munich, 29 October 2009.** Despite the great amount of interest in cloud computing, widespread acceptance of this technology by companies depends on whether providers are able to allay CIO's security concerns, as recently reported by *Computerwoche*. conject has now taken an important step in the direction of high-security cloud computing. TÜV (Germany's Technical Inspection Authority) has certified the qualities within the security environment of the Munich-based company.

The specialist for IT-supported real estate management has received the "s@fer Website" certificate of TÜV Süd. This was awarded to conjectPM, the Internet-based Project Space, which professionally and conveniently connects project managers, architects, investors and everyone else involved in a construction project. "With this certificate, we have managed to once again underscore the fact that security is our highest priority," says **Chris Brandt, CTO at conject AG**: "Only a regular technical review can permanently ensure the trustworthiness of our Platform of the highest level."

The first part of certification consists of a complex, **three-phase audit**, in which TÜV Süd examines the level of data security. This includes availability of the Platform, the unlimited security of conject customers' data, as well as technical integrity. In this test phase, the IT specialists clicked, for example, through all of the Platform's links, also evaluating the usability at the same time. The second step of the "s@fer Website" test simulates external attacks on the platform ("hackdoor", "backdoor") similar to those often attempted by cyber criminals. Finally – in the third phase – the TÜV specialists also evaluated conject's general safety conditions as a whole. "They meticulously examined whether we in the company act in accordance with all data protection regulations, whether the terms of use of conjectPM are consistent. Even our employees' laptops were subject to intense scrutiny," Brandt reported.

"s@fer Website" is now part of conject's company-wide security strategy. For since quite some time, all files stored by users on conject Platforms are scanned for viruses during import. Moreover, the conject Platform works with triple-redundant data storage. In addition, the conject computer center is connected to the Internet through several peering partners. conjectPM is operated in a computer center that provides the servers an optimum and reliable environment. They are located on the premises of the Bayerische Landesbank. Surveillance of the rooms is carried out around the clock (24/7) by the bank's security personnel. Only authorized persons are granted access to the server center. All access is documented. The conject servers are located in two separate server rooms in separate fire compartments. Doors and cable transits of the server rooms correspond to the F90 Norm.

You will find further, detailed information on the TÜV certification under [www.safer-website.de](http://www.safer-website.de)

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