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Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc. Unveils Windows Azure Support For ActiveBatch® IT Automation

Company is First Enterprise Scheduling and Workload Automation Vendor To Integrate With Microsoft's Most Advanced Cloud Computing Platform

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Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc. (ASCI), maker of ActiveBatch® IT Automation Without BoundariesSM, today announced it has become the first job scheduling/workload automation vendor to integrate with Windows Azure, Microsoft's most advanced platform for building, deploying and managing applications and services in the cloud. The new capability enables IT departments to dynamically allocate Azure resources to match workload processing requirements in order to reduce IT operational costs.

ActiveBatch Version 9 changed the workload automation landscape by uniquely allowing IT organizations to combine dynamic workload automation and management with the power and flexibility of cloud computing. By automating the management of Azure instances within ActiveBatch, users now have an even more effective way to instantly allocate cloud resources to workload processing, when and where they're needed.

"As IT increasingly relies on virtual and cloud-based environments, managing the provisioning and de-provisioning of these resources for workload processing can be a major challenge," said Jim Manias, Vice President of Marketing and Sales for Advanced Systems Concepts, Inc. "The ActiveBatch Extension for Azure ensures that IT organizations have a unified solution for scheduling and automating workloads that cross every physical, virtual and/or cloud environment—including Azure."

The new <u>ActiveBatch Extension for Azure</u> exclusively allows users to provision and manage Azure instances within workflows that direct other applications, platforms and process types, all from within <u>ActiveBatch's centralized interface</u>. To maximize efficiency, users can take advantage of ActiveBatch's Smart Queue capabilities to provision Azure instances automatically based on workload demands.

<u>Smart Queue</u> provisions Azure instances based on operating parameters and thresholds defined in advance by the user, such as maximum number of virtual machines. ActiveBatch will then "spin up" additional Azure instances in advance of scheduled workloads to ensure that adequate resources are available.







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The ActiveBatch Extension for Azure offers over 60 production-ready job steps to automate various Azure tasks including the provisioning/de-provisioning of Azure machines, management of individual or groups of instances, security tasks, machine snapshots, rebooting, synchronizing or termination of instances, and much more. To integrate Azure workflows with other operations throughout the enterprise, ActiveBatch's Integrated Jobs Library provides over 400 job steps for various applications, databases and systems, common IT tasks and functions and more. For example, an administrator might use an ActiveBatch workflow that automatically creates an <u>Active Directory</u> and <u>Exchange</u> account as well as provision an Azure machine for on boarding of new employees.

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ActiveBatch Extensions are separately licensed; for more information about ActiveBatch V9 or the new ActiveBatch Extension for Windows Azure, visit Advanced Systems Concepts during Microsoft TechEd North America 2013, June 3-6 at its exhibit located at Booth #810 in the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, or log on to www.advsyscon.com.

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