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CrowdStrike and AARNet Partner to Bring Industry-Leading Managed Detection and Response to Australia's Research and Education Sector

Expanded managed services partnership provides 24/7 MDR powered by Falcon's AI-native technology and elite cyber expertise to stop advanced threats

AUSTIN, Texas & SYDNEY--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 28, 2025-- CrowdStrike (NASDAQ: CRWD) and Australia's Academic and Research Network (AARNet) today announced an expanded partnership to deliver CrowdStrike Falcon® Complete Next-Gen MDR to Australia's research and education sector through a new managed service. This service will provide institutions with industry-leading, 24/7 managed detection and response to defend against advanced cyber threats powered by CrowdStrike's Falcon Complete for Service Providers offering and delivered by AARNet.

The speed and sophistication of cyberattacks continues to grow, while the cybersecurity skills gap widens. Australia's research and education sector is a prime target for adversaries with the valuable proprietary data and intellectual property they hold – often combined with underresourced internal security programs. Falcon Complete Next-Gen MDR, powered by CrowdStrike's AI-native Falcon® platform and elite cyber expertise, paired with AARNet's deep experience providing technology services to the research and education sector, provides institutions with the technology, expertise and sector-specific services they need to stay ahead of advanced threats. Falcon Complete Next-Gen MDR will be available to AARNet customers through a standalone service or as an addition to a customer's existing AARNet Security Operations Center (SOC) managed services.

"Expanding our partnership with CrowdStrike, cybersecurity's industry leader, simply makes sense given Australia's research and education sector is constantly targeted by sophisticated cyber threat actors," said Charles Sterner, CISO, AARNet. "Our customers need to be able to protect their vital assets with best-in-class cybersecurity capabilities and expertise. We're excited to work with CrowdStrike to provide an MDR solution that ensures customers can comprehensively manage, detect and respond to threats."

"Falcon Complete Next-Gen MDR sets the standard for MDR while accelerating SOC transformation initiatives in collaboration with innovative services partners like AARNet," said Jon Fox, vice president, channels and alliances, CrowdStrike Asia Pacific and Japan. "Together, we're a true force multiplier for Australia's education and research cybersecurity teams, delivering the advanced technology, expertise, and sector-specific experience they need to combat modern threats. We're excited to expand our partnership with AARNet, securing the mission-critical institutions powering Australia's next generation of innovation and growth."

About CrowdStrike

CrowdStrike (NASDAQ: CRWD), a global cybersecurity leader, has redefined modern security with the world's most advanced cloud-native platform for protecting critical areas of enterprise risk – endpoints and cloud workloads, identity and data.

Powered by the CrowdStrike Security Cloud and world-class AI, the CrowdStrike Falcon® platform leverages real-time indicators of attack, threat intelligence, evolving adversary tradecraft and enriched telemetry from across the enterprise to deliver hyper-accurate detections, automated protection and remediation, elite threat hunting and prioritized observability of vulnerabilities.

Purpose-built in the cloud with a single lightweight-agent architecture, the Falcon platform delivers rapid and scalable deployment, superior protection and performance, reduced complexity and immediate time-to-value.

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About AARNet

AARNet (Australia's Academic and Research Network) is the national research and education network provider, delivering high-performance telecommunications infrastructure, cyber security, and collaboration services to support Australia's research, education, training, and innovation sectors. Owned by the Australian universities and CSIRO, AARNet Pty Ltd and its subsidiaries deliver services that extend and evolve the organisation's mission. AARNet has been connecting Australia's knowledge institutions for more than 30 years. The network interconnects with global research and education networks, enabling participation in data-intensive science and international collaboration at scale.

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