

## **StarWind iSCSI SAN Software and VMware Vmotion Offer Seamless Live Migration of Virtual Machines with Zero Downtime and Continuous Availability to Mission-Critical Data**

*StarWind and VMware Vmotion reduce IT costs and provide improved reliability through business continuity and faster disaster recovery.*

Burlington, Mass. – New Starwind 5.0 from StarWind Software, a global leader in storage virtualization and a pioneer in iSCSI Software, simplifies storage management for VMware Vmotion environments and combines the power of server and storage virtualization to deliver continuous availability, flexibility and substantially lower costs for shared storage. StarWind offers an affordable and scalable storage virtualization platform for VMware Vmotion that is easy to deploy and immediately generates ROI by reducing downtime and ensuring continuous availability of mission-critical data. By creating networked storage with a StarWind iSCSI Target, VMware administrators get a scalable, highly cost-effective and easy-to-use iSCSI SAN that fully protects your VMware environment in the event of a catastrophic failure. StarWind works seamlessly with Vmotion technology to support live migrations with zero downtime, which are undetectable to the user.

StarWind's true active-active high availability (HA) architecture provides continuous and non-disruptive access to storage in the event of failure by synchronously mirroring data between two active storage appliances, or nodes, in real time. This technology is important to IT professionals because it eliminates a single point of failure. If a disk, power or even an entire storage node fails, the redundant storage node will take over and will continue actively operating without any disruption, ensuring that storage is available and accessible on the network.

StarWind software creates a "Virtual SAN" that can be installed on existing industry-standard servers without additional infrastructure investments. A virtual SAN is ideal for SMBs, or remote offices of large companies, which may have budget limitations and physical space constraints, but have performance requirements that can only be satisfied by a high-performance SAN.

StarWind also enhances data protection in VMware environments with features like mirroring, replication and CDP/snapshot capabilities. It is a solution that grows with a company's need as capacity is easily added without additional license purchases because StarWind is a software-only solution, installable on any industry-standard server with easily expanded drive bays.

### About StarWind Software Inc.

StarWind Software is a global leader in Storage Virtualization and iSCSI storage for small and midsize companies since 2003. StarWind's flagship product is a storage virtualization software that turns any industry-standard Windows Server into a fault-tolerant, fail-safe iSCSI SAN and is designed for use as centralized, networked storage for VMware, Hyper-V, Microsoft SQL Server, Microsoft Exchange, Microsoft SharePoint Server and other server applications configured in server clusters. StarWind Software is focused on providing small and midsize companies with affordable high availability storage technology which was previously only available in high-end storage products. The advanced, enterprise-class features include Synchronous Data Mirroring with Automated Failover and Failback, Remote Replication across a WAN, CDP and Snapshots, Thin Provisioning and Virtual Tape Array (VTA). Since 2003, StarWind has pioneered the IP SAN

industry and has been the solution of choice for over 30,000 global users in over 100 countries, from small and midsize companies, to governments, and Fortune 1000 companies. For additional information regarding StarWind Software, please visit <http://www.StarWindSoftware.com>.

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