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Danube Technologies Launches ScrumCORE Services Division for Comprehensive Scrum Training and Coaching

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TORONTO, Aug. 5 /PRNewswire/ -- AGILE 2008 -- Danube Technologies, Inc., (<http://www.danube.com>) the leader in software and training for the Scrum method of agile software development, today announced ScrumCORE(TM), its newly formed services division that addresses the entire continuum of Scrum implementations, from early stages to advanced enterprise programs.

In addition to growing its training staff to five Certified Scrum Trainers (CSTs), the ScrumCORE team now offers free webinar sessions for beginners and Certified Scrum Product Owner classes for Scrum professionals interested in improving their product ownership skills. Danube's product and services offerings help organizations become more successful using Scrum. The company's training services have been employed by organizations including Intel, Oracle, F5, and Microsoft Corporation.

"By adding free webinars for beginners and advanced enterprise-focused classes for experienced Scrum professionals, ScrumCORE has broadened its focus to speak to the needs of novice and advanced practitioners," explained Katie Playfair, Danube's director of client services. "ScrumCORE continues to provide strong support for our clients and is in the process of developing new ways to bring Scrum values, principles and practices to the software community as a whole."

Each year, Danube and its team of trainers conduct more than 100 public classes around the globe and continue to experience strong growth, especially throughout Europe. The ScrumCORE team also conducts a steady schedule of private, on-site training and coaching sessions to customers seeking support for organization-side transformations to Scrum.

Danube's ScrumCORE training and coaching services are offered in both public and private settings through comprehensive course offerings that include:

-- Free Scrum Introductory Webinars -- These free Web sessions cover the basic and principles of Scrum and how organizations can get started using the methodology.

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-- Certified ScrumMaster Course -- This two-day course on the principles and practices of Scrum results in participants becoming Certified ScrumMasters.

-- Introduction to Agile and Scrum Course -- This two-day course focuses on the rationale for agile and Scrum, rather than the specific practices taught in the certified course. This class is ideal for participants seeking a general overview of agile and Scrum methodologies, as well as a forum to discuss how suited these frameworks are for their organizations.

-- Product Owner Course -- This two-day course is intended for Product Owners, business analysts, managers and executives. Occasionally, the Product Owner course will be offered as a third, optional day, following a two-day Certified ScrumMaster course. Some Product Owner courses are certified, in which participants will receive the Certified Scrum Product Owner (CSPO) designation through the Scrum Alliance.

-- ScrumWorks(R) Implementation and Use Course -- This is a one-day course that is often, but not always, taught in addition to a Certified ScrumMaster, Intro to Agile or Product Owner class. Participants will learn to install, configure and use ScrumWorks for planning and team meetings, release planning, metrics evaluation, and program management.

For a complete listing of Danube's ScrumCORE offerings please visit:
<http://www.danube.com/courses>

About Danube Technologies

Founded in 2000, Danube provides software and training exclusively focused on the Scrum method of agile software development. The company's ScrumWorks(R) Pro and ScrumWorks Basic products are licensed to more than 92,000 software professionals worldwide, making it the most widely used software in the industry for managing Scrum projects. Danube complements its software offering with a comprehensive schedule of ScrumCORE(TM) training courses, which are taught globally by Danube's five Certified Scrum Trainers. The company's on- site software delivery model makes it the leading choice for enterprises of all types, including large corporate and government organizations, which require the utmost in security, compliance, ease-of-use and customization. Danube's customers include Adobe,

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Amazon.com, AMD, F5, General Electric, HP, Intel, Intuit, Kofax, LexisNexis, Microsoft, Motorola, Oracle, QVC, Siemens, and Sun Microsystems. Danube is self-funded and has achieved steady organic growth as Scrum has emerged as the preferred agile method for developers and executives. The company is headquartered in Bellevue, Wash. and has a sales office in Portland, Ore. Please visit <http://www.danube.com> or call (503) 248-0800 for more information on Danube.

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