

Press release

## **Sopra Steria has earned the Kubernetes on Microsoft Azure Advanced Specialization**

**Paris, March 15, 2022 – Sopra Steria, a European leader in consulting, digital services and software publishing, today announced it has earned the Kubernetes on Microsoft Azure advanced specialization, a validation of a solution partner's deep knowledge, extensive experience and proven expertise in deploying and managing production workloads in the cloud using containers and managing hosted Kubernetes environments in Microsoft Azure.**

Only partners that meet stringent criteria around customer success and staff skilling, as well as pass a third-party audit of their container-based workload deployment and management practices, are able to earn the Kubernetes on Azure advanced specialization.

Over 75% of global organizations are expected to run containerized applications in production by 2022, this trend generates a massive market call for partners with advanced skills to migrate and containerize workloads to the Cloud, or assist them in developing cloud-native applications using container technologies, DevOps patterns, and a microservices approach.

Sopra Steria Digital & Cloud Center of Excellence Teams guide companies and organisations into all the aspects of their Cloud Transformation Journey. Indeed, the adoption of such cloud-native approaches requires to rethink the relationships between the Business and IT entities, to master new technologies that are complex to operate. To meet these challenges, Sopra Steria provides a modular range of services, Digital Innovation Factory, enabling companies to fully support their changes relatives to governance, innovation, human resources, processes, technologies and operations.

*"Velocity, portability and stronger resilience are key for supporting Business Process in a more than ever Digital world. We are delighted to earn the Kubernetes on Microsoft Azure Advanced Specialization. Our teams have proven success in deploying and managing production workloads in the Cloud by using containers, manage hosted Kubernetes environments in Microsoft Azure"* **said Xavier Pecquet, EXCOM Member at Sopra Steria in charge of Key Accounts & Partnerships.**

*"The Kubernetes on Microsoft Azure advanced specialization highlights the partners who can be viewed as most capable when it comes to deploying and managing containerized applications in Azure. Sopra Steria clearly demonstrated that they have both the skills and the experience to deliver best-in-class cloud-native capabilities to customers with Azure"* **said Rodney Clark, Corporate Vice President, Global Partner Solutions, Channel Sales and Channel Chief at Microsoft.**

### **About Sopra Steria**

Sopra Steria, a European Tech leader recognised for its consulting, digital services and software development, helps its clients drive their digital transformation to obtain tangible and sustainable benefits. It provides end-to-end solutions to make large companies and organisations more competitive by combining in-depth knowledge of a wide range of business sectors and



innovative technologies with a fully collaborative approach. Sopra Steria places people at the heart of everything it does and is committed to making the most of digital technology to build a positive future for its clients. With 47,000 employees in nearly 30 countries, the Group generated revenue of €4.7 billion in 2021.

***The world is how we shape it.***

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