



Press Release

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Shackleton's DESlock Was Acquired by ESET

Shackleton Ventures announces today that it has sold its equity and debt interests in DESlock Ltd. The transaction sees the Taunton-based full disc encryption software business acquired by the pioneer of proactive protection ESET®.

Shackleton director, Deborah Hudson commented. "This is yet another positive result for one of our portfolio companies, and represents the culmination of several years hard effort. The transaction makes DESlock a valuable part of ESET's core offering, adding value to ESET partners and customers."

Shackleton has played an active role in support of DESlock since its purchase of 3i's investment in the predecessor company, DES Limited. Shackleton helped form DESlock as a spin-out from DES, and has been actively involved in DESlock's path to exit.

Encryption plays an important role in security and represents a vault guarding your company's sensitive information as well as your personal data," said ESET's Chief Technology Officer, Palo Luka. "Our plan is to fully integrate the technology we have acquired into our products for business and the consumer segment, and to develop it further.

"I'm delighted with the transaction." Says DESlock, David Tomlinson, who will become new ESET's Manger of Encryption Business Unit. "The team is very excited about its future within the ESET family. We are very grateful to Shackleton, whose unwavering support has helped make the transaction possible."

Shackleton is proud of its record of taking companies to exit, and the sale of DESlock represents Shackleton's 14th profitable realization.

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Shackleton Ventures

- Shackleton specializes in direct secondary venture and development capital investments – where Shackleton will buy a portfolio of existing investments, or an individual asset, from an investor that is seeking liquidity.
- Shackleton’s investment in DESlock was made directly by Shackleton Ventures and through Shackleton Secondaries LP and Shackleton Secondaries II LP.
- Shackleton currently manages 3 funds.
- Shackleton’s funds have acquired investments from a range of institutional and corporate vendors and from several private individuals.
- Shackleton secondary funds are managed by FCA-authorized Shackleton Finance Limited.
- For further information: www.shackletonventures.com

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- Since 1987, ESET® has been developing award-winning security software that now helps over 100 million users to Enjoy Safer Technology.
- Its broad, security product portfolio covers all popular platforms and provides businesses and consumers around the world with the perfect balance of performance and proactive protection.
- The company has a global sales network covering 189 countries, and regional offices in Bratislava, San Diego, Singapore and Buenos Aires.
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DESlock

- DESlock+ protects your data wherever it is.
- Patented key management technology lets users share encrypted data seamlessly, while full disk and removable media encryption takes care of compliance issues, helping to prevent fall-out from lost or stolen computers.
- DESlock was the first member of ESET Technology Alliance program which offers additional security solutions to ESET's business customers. For further information: www.deslock.com