

DCIG 2016-17 Small/Midsize Enterprise Integrated Backup Appliance Buyer's Guide Now Available

DCIG is pleased to announce the availability of the *DCIG 2016-17 Small/Midsize Enterprise Integrated Backup Appliance Buyer's Guide* developed from DCIG's backup appliance body of research.

Integrated backup appliances address enterprise data protection challenges by pre-integrating backup software with self-contained purpose-built backup appliances. Because Integrated backup appliances include backup software, they displace both legacy backup hardware and legacy backup software.

The *DCIG 2016-17 Small/Midsize Enterprise Integrated Backup Appliance Buyer's Guide* weights, scores and ranks more than 100 features of twenty-nine (29) products from seven (7) different providers. Using ranking categories of Recommended, Excellent and Good, this Buyer's Guide offers much of the information an organization should need to make a highly informed decision as to which integrated backup appliance will suit their needs.

Each backup appliance included in the *DCIG 2016-17 Small/Midsize Enterprise Integrated Backup Appliance Buyer's Guide* meets the following criteria:

- Must be available as a physical appliance that includes backup and recovery software as a combined bundle under one SKU
- Provides features and capacities appropriate for small/midsize enterprises

- Must store backup data on the appliance via on premise DAS, NAS or SAN-attached storage
- May connect to a public storage cloud
- Sufficient information provided to reach meaningful conclusions
- Must be formally announced or generally available for purchase on July 1, 2016

DCIG's succinct analysis provides insight into the state of the integrated backup appliance marketplace. The Buyer's Guide identifies the specific benefits organizations can expect to achieve using an integrated backup appliance, and key features organizations should be aware of as they evaluate products. It also provides brief observations about the distinctive features of each product. Ranking tables enable organizations to get an "at-a-glance" overview of the products; while DCIG's standardized one-page data sheets facilitate side-by-side comparisons, assisting organizations to quickly create a short list of products that may meet their requirements.

End users [registering](#) to access this report via the [DCIG Analysis Portal](#) also gain access to the DCIG Interactive Buyer's Guide (IBG). The IBG enables organizations take the next step in the product selection process by generating custom reports, including comprehensive side-by-side feature comparisons of the products in which the organization is most interested.