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Netxar Technologies expanding in the Caribbean

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When Netxar Technologies, an architecture, implementation, and management of key network and information technologies consulting firm, moved from New England to Puerto Rico two years ago, it brought along employees who have all been key consultants for renowned companies such as IBM and Compaq.

"Businesses in Puerto Rico can now benefit from well-qualified consultants in different fields right here on the island," said Frank Santiago, Netxar Technologies' president. "We don't have to bring them from abroad."

Santiago emphasized that Hato Rey-based Netxar has years of experience handling complex projects for Fortune 500 companies on the U.S. mainland. The company also distributes software, mostly related to content filtering, Internet employee management, and security services policies.

Netxar's in-house consultants specialize in

and are certified in advanced internetworking, information security, Internet Protocol (IP) telephony, and software development, among other

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services. Their numerous credentials include the coveted Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) certification.

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clients' strategic partner. We sell solutions that closely fit their needs." The company's main customers are in the finance, education, health-care, government, and manufacturing industries.

"We believe in shaping businesses through technology," said Santiago, who said the phrase is also the company's logo. Netxar creates a detailed plan for meeting a client's goals and then follows up to evaluate a project's outcome and the client's satisfaction. "Our success is definitely due to our personnel," Santiago added. "They keep up with the latest in technology."

Netxar recently received approval from the Puerto Rico Industrial Development Co. (Pridco) to develop a security application for information systems. Santiago expects it to be available worldwide in eight months and to be extremely popular. The company is also planning to expand in Latin America, particularly in the Dominican Republic, Panama, and Venezuela. ■