

Carrefour Strengthens Enterprise Cybersecurity in Spain with BIO-key's AuthControl Sentry[®] Cloud Solution in Partnership with Evolutio

Holmdel, NJ and Madrid, Spain – December 27, 2023 - BIO-key[®] International, Inc. (NASDAQ: BKYI), an innovative provider of workforce and customer Identity and Access Management (IAM) featuring passwordless, phoneless and token-less Identity-Bound Biometric (IBB) authentication solutions, announced today that <u>Carrefour</u>, a leading global retailer, is integrating BIO-key's <u>AuthControl Sentry</u>[®] cloud solution in Spain in collaboration with <u>Evolutio</u>, a trusted partner of BIO-key's Swivel Secure Europe subsidiary. The strategic collaboration is part of Carrefour's ongoing commitment to operational excellence and data security.

AuthControl Sentry is now a key component in safeguarding the authentication process for Carrefour's 6,500 Spanish employees. The solution protects access to critical services and reinforces the company's dedication to the highest standards of data security and privacy.

Alex Rocha, Managing Director of BIO-key Europe, commented, "We are honored to have leading global retailer Carrefour implement our AuthControl Cloud Sentry solution in Spain. This collaboration, facilitated by our partner Evolutio, showcases the security, versatility and reliability of our products in meeting the complex cybersecurity needs of large-scale organizations. BIO-key Europe is committed to delivering top-tier security solutions that empower businesses like Carrefour to operate with confidence and resilience in an increasingly digital world. Our AuthControl solution not only enhances operational efficiency but also ensures the utmost security for our customers, their employees and critical data."

About BIO-key International, Inc. (<u>www.BIO-key.com</u>)

BIO-key is revolutionizing authentication and cybersecurity with biometric-centric, multi-factor identity and access management (IAM) software securing access for over thirty-five million users. BIO-key allows customers to choose the right authentication factors for diverse use cases, including phoneless, tokenless, and passwordless biometric options. Its hosted or on-premise PortalGuard IAM solution provides costeffective, easy-to-deploy, convenient, and secure access to computers, information, applications, and highvalue transactions.

About Evolutio (<u>www.evolutio.com/</u>)

Evolutio is the trusted technological partner that any company needs. Evolutio consultants are experts in the integration of cloud services for multinational and domestic companies in the Spanish market. Its objective is to boost the agility, flexibility and capacity for innovation of clients, helping them to achieve the maximum possible value from their business and accompanying them in their digitization process. Headquartered in Madrid, Evolutio has a track record of over 30 years of experience in the IT sector.

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