STT Takes Majority Stake in Cloud Service Provider 2nd Watch

STT has taken a majority stake in Seattle-based cloud service provider 2nd Watch. The investment expands and strengthens STT's managed cloud services capabilities as it combines 2nd Watch's market leading position in the US and reputation for world-class services together with STT's managed cloud services business in Asia which includes Cloud Comrade. 2nd Watch will gain access to STT's international network and a broader set of infrastructure software solutions, thereby enhancing the end-to-end client experience. Globally, the cloud service provider aims to be the go-to brand for enterprises and, through this investment, will be able to build up its high-quality services delivery due to its exceptional fit with STT's complementary assets.
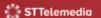
CORPORATE NEWS

Cloud Comrade Achieves Highest AWS Partner Status

Cloud Comrade has achieved the much coveted title of Amazon Web Services' (AWS) Premier Consulting Partner, the highest accolade within the AWS Partner Network. This achievement is made even more significant as Cloud Comrade is the first Singapore-based company and one of only two ASEAN-based companies to receive the accolade. The achievement serves as strong validation of the company's expertise in delivering leading-edge cloud solutions, and its breadth of capabilities to support customers' cloud deployment requirements.
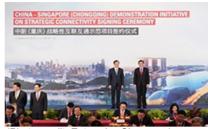
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StarHub Partners ISPs in China to boost Singapore-Chongqing Connectivity

With the support of Singapore and China's governments, StarHub inked a Memorandum of Understanding with China Mobile, China Unicom and China Telecom to enhance digital connectivity and foster trade between Singapore and Chongqing. Following this, Singapore companies with operations in Chongqing will benefit from more robust connectivity between the two cities. They can also work with their preferred Chinese internet service provider for enhanced Infocomm services.

(Photo credit: Enterprise Singapore)

VALUE CREATION

U Mobile Fuels Digitalisation through WeChat and Whale Cloud Partnerships

U Mobile has launched two programmes with WeChat to offer Chinese tourists an enhanced travel experience, and one key feature is the ability to make digital payments in Renminbi. The move promotes digital entrepreneurship as it encourages merchants to jump on the digital bandwagon to engage tourists. U Mobile also kickstarted a digital transformation exercise with data intelligence technology company Whale Cloud to upgrade its backend systems. This will allow the company to detect customers' needs quicker, make speedier decisions and provide an enhanced digital experience for its customers.

Sky's First-in-Country's Fibre All-In Box Enhances Customer Experience with Cheaper, Streamlined Service

In its continuous mission to enhance the customer experience through innovative and pioneering products, Sky has launched Philippines' first fibre all-in box. The product combines the functionalities of a WiFi-enabled modem, digital terrestrial TV, and cable TV modem. Customers will gain convenience and cost savings from subscribing to one device instead of three, while enjoying fibre-fast internet speeds of up to 200 Mbps as well as television and online shows.

COMMUNITY

VIRTUS Donates Computers and Boosts Digital Inclusion Among Children in Ghana

VIRTUS Data Centres, part of ST Telemedia Global Data Centres, launched an initiative to collect, clean and donate spare IT equipment to an under-resourced school in Elmina, Ghana. After collecting unused computers from customers, partners and suppliers, VIRTUS ensured that all equipment were professionally data-wiped and installed with Microsoft Office software before shipping them to the children of Ghana for their use at school.

TeleChoice Shows Supports for Malay and Muslim Youth Development

30 TeleChoice employees and their family members took part in Community Chest Heartstrings Walk 2019, which was themed "Step Forward, Towards Inclusion". The participants walked alongside and interacted with beneficiaries from 4PM Malay Youth Literary Association, a voluntary welfare organisation which focuses on services and mentoring programmes for Malay and Muslim youth at-risks.

STT Extends Partnership with Temasek Polytechnic

STT extended its initial three-year partnership with Temasek Polytechnic (TP) via the STT Catalyst Award for another two years. The Award has benefited 19 students since 2017. To mark the significant occasion, STT President and Group CEO Stephen Miller hosted a get-together for representatives of TP, past and present award recipients as well as their internship supervisors. Two award recipients also provided meaningful insights into their internship in a fun and casual sharing.

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