Building a sustainable foundation for the digital future

STT GDC Launches Group ESG Plan, Pledges to Become Carbon-neutral

Underscoring its commitment to contribute to a more sustainable global economy, STT GDC has unveiled its group Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) strategy for the next five to ten years, focused on three key goals: (1) carbon-neutral data centre operations by 2030; (2) a safe, secure and inclusive workplace; and (3) ethical and responsible operations.

Aligned with its Group ESG goals, STT GDC also recently announced plans to source additional renewable energy and to annually reduce 456,500 tonnes of CO_2 emissions by 2025 in India, which set a new sustainability standard for the local data centre industry. In Singapore, STT GDC has also started constructing its 8th data centre– STT Defu 3, designed to meet the industry's highest sustainability standards.

More details on the STT GDC group initiatives can be found here.

Corporate News

StarHub Named Asia's Most Sustainable Telco, Ranked Top 1% Most Sustainable Worldwide

In the 2021 Corporate Knights Global 100, StarHub is picked amongst over 8,000 large corporations to achieve the 80th position globally. The Global 100 evaluates companies worldwide on 24 key performance indicators, including resource management, greenhouse gas management, board gender diversity, clean revenue and investment, and supplier performance. Overcoming extensive assessments, StarHub is recognised favourably for its significant progress in clean revenue and investment disclosures, as well as its efforts in promoting racial diversity among the board and the senior executive team.

Armor Grabs Four Cybersecurity Excellence Awards

The company shined with four wins in the Awards' highly competitive categories for its cloud security platform and flagship product, Armor Anywhere. They include gold in the Cloud Security, AWS security, MDR categories, and silver for Azure Security. The 2021 Cybersecurity Excellence Awards is an annual competition honouring individuals and companies that demonstrate excellence, innovation, and leadership in information security. Finalists and winners were selected based on their nomination strength and a popularity vote by the Information Security Community.

U Mobile and StarHub Shine in Global and Regional Benchmarks for Mobile User Experience

On the global arena, Opensignal, in its recent Global Mobile Network Experience Awards 2021 Report, named StarHub Global Leader for video experience, games experience, download speed experience, and upload speed experience, and Global High Performer for voice app experience and 4G availability. The same report named U Mobile Global Rising Star for its major improvements in download speed experience, video experience, voice app experience, and 4G availability for the second consecutive year, signalling that its aggressive network expansion and improvements are paying off. StarHub and U Mobile also came up tops in their markets in Tutela's 2021 report on Southeast Asia State of Mobile Experience, where both are named providers for Excellent Consistent Quality and Core Consistent Quality in their respective markets. Opensignal and Tutela based their findings and benchmarks on independently measured data collected from real mobile user experiences.

Moogsoft Featured in CRN's 100 Coolest Cloud Companies

Moogsoft was named one of the 100 Coolest Cloud Companies for 2021 by US IT channel news media, CRN®. This annual industry-trusted list recognises leading cloud technology providers in five critical categories: infrastructure, monitoring and management, security, storage, and software. This accolade is a nod to Moogsoft's commitment to supporting constantly evolving customer experiences and partners with leading innovative solutions. This award follows Moogsoft's recent launch of the Moogsoft Observability Cloud, a self-service SaaS platform that advances observability in the cloud to meet the demands of a software-defined world..

Value Creation

Bespin Global Partners ADIO, Expands Footprint with MEA HQ

Bespin Global announced plans to set up its regional MEA headquarters and two innovation centres – a Cloud Operations Centre and a Technology Hub -- in Abu Dhabi. The move follows a partnership with the Abu Dhabi Investment Office (ADIO) to accelerate digital transformation in the region. Bespin Global will collaborate with local universities to nurture talent. At the same time, ADIO, along with its global technology ecosystem Hub71, will help connect Bespin Global to the region's technology ecosystem and unlock new business opportunities. The strategic move will also see Bespin Global growing its commercial and technical team to tap into new areas such as financial services and FinTech.

GDS Embarks on Overseas Expansion with First Self-Developed Data Centre in Hong Kong

GDS kicks off its overseas expansion plan with HK1, its first self-developed data centre outside Mainland China in Hong Kong. Set to be completed by mid-2022, HK1 is Asia-Pacific's first core multi-cloud, cloud-neutral, and hybrid cloud exchange node and a central node for cross-border low-latency international network exchange and Internet data exchange. Over the next five years, GDS intends to expand overseas to support the global innovative development of Mainland China customers. STT GDC is the single largest strategic investor of GDS since 2014.

StarHub Partners Software AG to Launch End-to-End 5G IoT Platform Service

To help organisations rapidly transform through fast and scalable Internet of Thing (IoT) implementations, StarHub has teamed up with the Germany-based software provider to deliver an advanced, 5G-ready IoT solution. As a comprehensive platform applicable across multiple industries, its 5G IoT platform service offers one-stop IoT connectivity comprising StarHub's 5G, device management, professional system integration services, and managed services to help organisations run a full IoT environment. StarHub extends its service through subscription, which gives its customers full flexibility, instant scalability, and financial prudence.

Cloud Comrade Partners InfraGuard to Enhance and Automate Cloud Managed Services in Singapore

Hybrid workloads across cloud providers and clients' diverse requirements have made it challenging to automate managed services. However, that is set to change as Cloud Comrade has teamed up with InfraGuard – a global server management software – to introduce a unique automated cloud server management solution and enhance cloud managed services in Singapore. The new solution leverages Infraguard's in-built automation and self-governance features to create a uniform server management environment that is highly scalable and secure. This in turn reduces the complexity of managing hybrid workloads across major cloud service providers, decreases reliance on manual operations, and greatly boosts efficiency for clients.

Community

STT GDC Tackles Skill Gaps and Youth Employability with Experience Centre in India

In line with its corporate citizenship efforts, STT GDC has launched an Experience Centre at its Centre of Excellence in Bengaluru to address existing skill gaps and equip students with essential technical and professional skills for a career in the data centre industry. The Centre aims to add value to the ecosystem by providing practical training through a combination of classroom learning with on-the-job training in a live simulated environment.

TeleChoice Brings Festive Joy to Seniors and Families

Keeping with its mission of Connecting People, Empowering Business and Community Bonding, TeleChoice supported Community Chest's Fú Dài (means "bags of blessings") event for the fourth consecutive year to bring Lunar New Year festive joy to vulnerable seniors and families. TeleChoice employees, together with other corporate volunteers, distributed over 6,700 festive bags containing food and essential household items to the recipients. They also contributed towards the S$2+ million funds raised from the event to aid over 80 Community Chest-supported social service agencies.

STT Supports StarHub's Initiative to Bring 24/7 Food Aid to Vulnerable Communities

STT joined hands with StarHub to adopt food vending machines under the latter's food distribution initiative. The initiative is part of StarHub's partnership with The Food Bank Singapore (FBSG) to bring 24/7 food aid at no cost to underprivileged families and seniors in public housing estates across Singapore. For a month, STT employee volunteers replenished the vending machine at a public housing block with food items to ensure a steady supply for the beneficiaries. Besides helping to cover the programme's operating and food supply costs, StarHub's sponsorship has enabled FBSG to extend its food vending machine network into 11 housing estates, reaching over 2,200 beneficiaries.
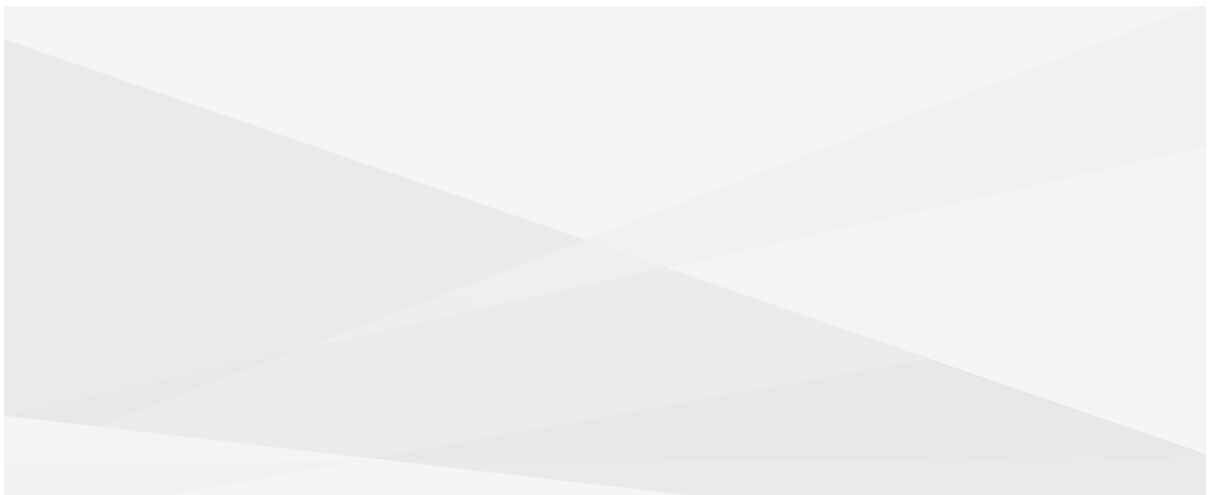
STT Welcomes First Batch of 2021 Catalyst Award Recipients

Since March this year, the first three 2021 ST Telemedia Catalyst Award recipients have started their work attachments at STT, where they are exposed to the company's business, as well as gain work experience in their chosen disciplines. Up to five more award recipients are expected to intern at various STT portfolio companies in the coming months. Marking its fifth year running, the STT Catalyst Award at Temasek Polytechnic was established to support promising final year Singaporean students from low-income families.

Find out more information on STT's education in action here.