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ST Telemedia Partners Tata Communications to Expand Data Centre Business in India & Singapore

Mr Vinod Kumar, MD and CEO of Tata Communications and Mr Sio Tat Hiang, Executive Director of ST Telemedia

ST Telemedia has taken another significant step towards bolstering its global data centre footprint. The investor in communication, media and technology businesses around the globe announced the proposed acquisition of 74% of Tata Communications' data centre business in India and Singapore. Through the strategic partnership, STT Global Data Centres (STT GDC) will acquire 14 data centres in key Indian cities and three Singapore facilities, which currently house a highly-diversified customer base, including blue chip enterprises in Asia, e-commerce platforms and global multi-national corporations. With this acquisition, STT GDC will further expand and strengthen its global data centre network to span four geographies, including strong bases in two of Asia's largest growth markets - India and China.

> *The latest addition of India to the STT GDC network will be a major impetus to advance the company's ambition to be a significant global data centre service provider*
>
> *Mr Sio Tat Hiang, Executive Director, ST Telemedia*

> *With this investment, STT GDC is well positioned to become one of the largest Asian-headquartered data centre companies with significant platforms in key markets where we continue to see strong growth.*
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> *Mr Bruno Lopez, CEO, STT GDC*

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CORPORATE NEWS

StarHub Named Most Sustainable Company in Singapore and Eighth in the World

StarHub jumped from 24th to the eighth on the prestigious *Corporate Knights' Global 100* ranking of the world's most sustainable corporations. Still the only Singaporean info-communications provider to be recognised, the company has made impressive progress since its first entry in 2013 where it ranked 66th. Released annually at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, Corporate Knights' Global 100 is globally recognised as the gold standard in corporate sustainability analysis. Organisations underwent extensive data-driven assessments based on 12 key performance indicators for resource productivity, financial performance and employee management.

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NxGen Takes a Stake in IP-TV-based Entertainment Solutions

TeleChoice's wholly-owned subsidiary, NxGen took a 25% stake in MVI Systems, Asia's leading provider of IP-TV-based entertainment solutions to the hospitality industry with a strong customer base in Asia. Leveraging on each other's complementary products and solutions, both companies will work together to accelerate mutual growth through cross-selling and a broader scope of services

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GDS Wins Top Internet Data Centre (IDC) Industry Awards for the Third Consecutive Year

GDS upheld its lead as "*China's Top IDC Company*" and "China's *Top 3rd Party Data Center*" for the third year in a row, a strong testament of the data centre and hybrid cloud service provider's leadership position in the industry. Both annual accolades are the most influential awards in China's IDC industry, where outstanding companies are recognised for their significant contributions to the industry during the year. In 2015, GDS, in partnership with AliCloud, promoted the development of enterprise-level hybrid cloud service in China that reshaped the enterprise IT ecosystem and brought the data centre industry to the next level.

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Datameer Catapults into Asia Pacific to meet Growing Global Demand

Following its latest funding round with ST Telemedia as the lead investor, Datameer is aggressively expanding into Asia Pacific to meet the growing global demand for its big data analytics solutions. Riding on strong traction and consistent growth in North America and Europe, and responding to the Asia Pacific region's heightened attention on big data as a game-changer, the forerunner for user-friendly big data analysis is ready to extend its multi-vertical track record and experience to meet the region's unique needs.

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Level 3 marked as "Challenger" in 2016 Gartner Magic Quadrant for Network Services, Global, demonstrates its exceptional customer service and strategy

Gartner positioned Level 3 furthest along the "completeness of vision" and "ability to execute" axes in the Challengers quadrant in its *January 2016 Gartner Magic Quadrant for Network Services, Global* - a notable standing that affirms and recognises the global telecommunication provider's clear and evolving strategy. The Magic Quadrant is a reputable assessment of fixed corporate networking services suppliers worldwide, and is focused on service quality, pricing, and track record. 12 network providers were evaluated in this report.

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BUSINESS SCORECARD

VIRTUS Boosts UK's Education and Research with the Sector's First Data Centre Hub

VIRTUS, in partnership with Jisc, offered an enhanced and flexible data centre hub to 15 leading UK universities and research institutes. A first-of-its-kind for UK's education and research, the facility is located at VIRTUS London4, and leverages on the colocation provider's data centre ecosystem. Universities and colleges can take advantage of its fast and secure connectivity to boost collaborations and push research boundaries while increase efficiencies. Jisc is a non-profit digital services and solution provider for higher education and skills sectors in UK.

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Global Online Gaming Community Hitbox Taps on Level 3 to Break New Ground

Level 3 helped Hitbox.tv successfully implement new services and scale up its next growth phase. Tapping on Level 3's content delivery network (CDN), the popular global online gaming community with tens of millions live video game streamers and eSports enthusiasts can now optimally deliver its unique real-time gaming services to users and broadcasters around the world.

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VALUE CREATION

StarHub Launched Centre to Grow Singapore's Cyber Security Ecosystem

To build partnerships and grow the local cyber security ecosystem, StarHub launched its Cyber Security Centre of Excellence (COE). Supported by Singapore's Economic Development Board (EDB), COE serves as a hub for cyber security ecosystem, bringing together the best of brains and expertise to tackle cyber threats, which are one of the serious risks affecting economies globally today. The company, together with industry partners such as Blue Cost, Cyberbit, EY, Fortinet and Wedge Network, and four institutes of higher learning (IHL) including Nanyang Polytechnic and Singapore University of Technology and Design, will jointly invest S$200 million over the next five years.

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StarHub, China Mobile and True Corporation Ink MOU to Accelerate Strategic Collaborations Across Industry Platforms

StarHub Mobile has partnered with China Mobile (CMI) and True Corporation to accelerate collaborations on CMI's "*Hand-in-Hand (hi-H) Program*", an integrated cross-industry platform of international partners. Initiated in 2015, the programme aims to form an integrated platform involving an expanding group of international partners to reap mutual benefits and deliver seamless services to customers. The cooperation covers five major scopes including strengthening complementary capabilities for data business services and co-developing new business opportunities related to innovation and IoT.

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Level 3 Takes Security to the Network and Leverages the Cloud to Defend Customers

Level 3 has launched Enterprise Security Gateway (ESG), a cloud-based network security solution that reduces the cost and complexity of security without sacrificing performance. Driven by enterprises' demand for simplified solutions to overcome multiple challenges including a tumultuous threat environment, existing complex legacy security architectures, ballooning security budgets, and shortage of qualified professionals, ESG is a secure, efficient solution that leverages on Level 3's global fibre footprint, network capacity and comprehensive next-generation security services in its cloud-based gateways. ESG will be available globally from June 30.

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COMMUNITY

ST Telemedia Supports Singapore's Jubilee Whale Education, Research and Conservation Programme

As part of its commitment to enrich the communities it operate in, ST Telemedia supported Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum's public education, research and conservation programme surrounding "Jubilee Whale", the first whale found on Singapore's shores. Discovered during Singapore's 50th anniversary jubilee year, the 10.6m adult female sperm whale's skeleton is completely recovered and now publicly displayed at the museum. ST Telemedia contributed to the S$1.3 million Jubilee Whale Fund raised, which went towards the restoration and maintenance, as well as marine biodiversity education, research and conservation.

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