

# NTT Ltd. announces new data center expansion project in South Africa

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**Johannesburg – 28 September 2020 – NTT Ltd.**, a world-leading global technology services provider and Dimension Data, the South African systems integrator and managed services provider which represents the NTT Ltd. business in the Middle East and Africa, today announced that construction works for their Johannesburg 1 Data Center has commenced.

The data center design is based on tier 3 standards and will be constructed in two phases. When fully built it will deliver a total of 6,000 sqm of IT space and 12 MW of IT load. The first phase of the site is scheduled to become operational beginning of 2022.

Dimension Data already operates 11 data centers with up to 10 MW of IT load across Africa. Together with the new Johannesburg 1 Data Center, the NTT data center platform in Africa will provide more than 20 MW of IT load capacity. This demand for capacity is driven by local and international clients' strong need for robust colocation infrastructure across Africa.

The expansion in Johannesburg is part of the growth strategy of the Global Data Centers division of NTT Ltd. which operates one of the largest data center platforms in the world. With over 160 data centers spanning more than 20 countries and regions, NTT Group's clients and partners have access to a powerful digital ecosystem with global reach and local expertise.

"Johannesburg 1 Data Center will enable us to increase our capabilities and global capacity, to meet our international clients' expanding needs for infrastructure across African market", said Florian Winkler, CEO of the Global Data Centers EMEA division of NTT Ltd.

Dimension Data has built up extensive intelligent infrastructure capability, which includes data centers, hybrid connectivity solutions and cloud, enables our clients to operate sustainable, intelligent businesses, and importantly, is contributing to economic growth and social development across the region.

Dimension Data's CEO, Grant Bodley said: "Africa's digital transformation will be accelerated with the right infrastructure investments. This partnership, bolstering our already significant data center footprint, comes at a time when demand for digital content, cloud services, new technologies such as Internet of Things, mobile money and content delivery networks are on the rise."

Johannesburg 1 Data Center will be located in the 'Central Point Innovation District' in Johannesburg. The site is in close proximity to the airport and city center and will offer diverse fiber connectivity, fully redundant power supply and cooling infrastructure. It will become a state-of-the-art, highly secure, energy-efficient data center offering maximum protection for our clients' critical and sensitive IT systems. The site includes plans to host an NTT Technology Experience Lab (TEL) for clients and partners to test and validate cutting edge technology solutions and IT deployments in a live data center environment.

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#### About the Global Data Centers division of NTT Ltd.

Global Data Centers is a division of NTT Ltd. and incorporates DPA, e-shelter, Gyron, Netmagic, NTT Indonesia Nexcenter, RagingWire and other NTT Communications group data center divisions. Our combined global platform is one of the largest in the world, with over 160 data centers spanning more than 20 countries and regions including North America, Europe, Africa and APAC. As a neutral operator, we offer access to multiple cloud providers, a large variety of Internet Exchanges and telecommunication network providers including our own IPv6 compliant, tier 1 global IP network. Our clients benefit from tailored infrastructure and experience consistent best practices in design and operations across all of our highly reliable, scalable, and customizable data centers.

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### About NTT Ltd.

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#### **About Dimension Data:**

Dimension Data is an African born systems integrator and managed services provider that designs, manages, and optimises today's evolving technology environments to enable its clients to leverage data in a digital age. Founded in 1983, and headquartered in Johannesburg, we are a proud member of the NTT Group, one of the world's leading information communication technology (ICT) companies, comprising a group of global technology companies. Employing over 10,000 employees across 15 countries on three continents, we invest heavily in innovation to bring together the world's best technologies, from consulting, technical and support services to a fully managed service, to our global client base.

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