

NTT DATA and Centre for Strategic Infocomm Technologies sign MoU to Strengthen Singapore's National Cyber defense

Collaboration to enhance cybersecurity through advanced threat intelligence technology exchanges, and joint innovation initiatives

Singapore, 11 October 2024 - NTT DATA and NTT Security Holdings today entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Centre for Strategic Infocomm Technologies (CSIT) to collaborate on strengthening Singapore's national cyber defense and to further explore areas of emerging digital technologies. The signing ceremony took place at CSIT's premier annual cybersecurity event TechCon 2024 and was attended by senior representatives from both NTT and CSIT, along with key stakeholders from Singapore's public sector.

The MoU was signed by Mr. Png Kim Meng, Chief Executive Officer, Singapore, NTT DATA, and Mr. Darren Teo, Chief Executive, CSIT. Mr. Melvyn Ong, Permanent Secretary (Defence Development) and Takashi Taniyama, President, NTT DATA Asia Pacific, and Executive Vice President, NTT DATA, Inc. were also present at the signing.

CSIT aims to enhance Singapore's cybersecurity posture, and through the MoU with NTT DATA Singapore and NTT Security Holdings, will focus on key strategic areas, including the collaboration on capabilities in cyber threat intelligence technology, and joint exploration of innovative digital technologies. The partnership will jointly explore threat intelligence information in the Asia Pacific region, including advanced analytical approach, technology exchanges across fields such as data engineering and next-generation architecture and address threats posed by sophisticated actors to contribute to broader regional security.

The MoU also sets a framework for collaboration in exploring new opportunities where innovative platforms from NTT DATA in Singapore and NTT Security Holdings can be piloted and contextualized for Singapore's cybersecurity needs. CSIT will benefit from joint initiatives focused on refining specific cybersecurity challenges and developing scalable solutions to enhance Singapore's defense capabilities. Regular leadership engagements and reviews will ensure ongoing progress and continuous improvement.

"This MoU marks another significant step in NTT DATA's commitment to driving digital innovation and bolstering Singapore's national security. It is imperative that in an increasingly digitally connected world, businesses are adequately equipped with the right capabilities to cope with the cybersecurity risks emerging from today's

technological advancements. The initiative also adds to our ongoing commitment to Singapore where we continue to invest in talent development and sustainable innovation. We are confident that the collaboration will result in advanced solutions that enhance the nation's defense" said Mr. Png Kim Meng, CEO, Singapore, NTT DATA."

"As an agency responsible for developing capabilities to address sophisticated cyber threats, CSIT is constantly innovating our methods and building up our expertise to tackle the evolving threat landscape. Collaboration with capable industry partners like NTT DATA in Singapore and NTT Security Holdings is crucial to bolstering our cyber defenses. The MOU signifies another step forward for us to tap on one another's expertise, and for Singapore's national security to be strengthened," added Mr. Darren Teo, Chief Executive of CSIT.

This collaboration is part of NTT DATA's broader strategy to introduce its advanced R&D assets and global expertise into the Singapore market. Through initiatives like this MoU, NTT DATA aims to unlock new opportunities for innovation across multiple disciplines, with cybersecurity as a key focus. By leveraging its extensive R&D capabilities, NTT DATA seeks to offer progressive technologies that address Singapore's unique needs while setting a benchmark for the wider region.

About NTT DATA

NTT DATA is a \$30+ billion trusted global innovator of business and technology services. We serve 75% of the Fortune Global 100 and are committed to helping clients innovate, optimize and transform for long-term success. As a Global Top Employer, we have diverse experts in more than 50 countries and a robust partner ecosystem of established and start-up companies. Our services include business and technology consulting, data and artificial intelligence, industry solutions, as well as the development, implementation and management of applications, infrastructure and connectivity. We are also one of the leading providers of digital and AI infrastructure in the world. NTT DATA is part of NTT Group, which invests over \$3.6 billion each year in R&D to help organizations and society move confidently and sustainably into the digital future. Visit us at nttdata.com.

About NTT Security Holdings

NTT Security Holdings provides proactive cyber defense and services to protect our customers and society. For over 20 years, our company has assisted clients in

safeguarding their digital operations by anticipating, detecting, and responding to cyber threats. Simultaneously, we support business innovation and risk management. Our Security Operations Center (SOC), research and development centers, and security experts deliver threat intelligence and handle hundreds of thousands of security alerts annually. Together, we secure the connected future.

About CSIT

CSIT is the leading cybersecurity agency and key provider of secured digital solutions for the Singapore defence and public sectors. By harnessing cutting-edge digital technologies, CSIT provides innovative solutions to meet Singapore's national security needs. CSIT is a member of the Defence Technology Community.

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