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COLT DCS SELECTS EQUANS DATA CENTERS AS STRATEGIC PARTNER FOR PIONEERING LIQUID-COOLING FACILITY IN PARIS

Equans Data Centers has been chosen by Colt Data Centre Services (Colt DCS) as a strategic general contractor partner to build and commission its latest data centre – PAR2 in Paris, France. This milestone project will introduce advanced liquid cooling technology on an unprecedented scale in Europe, reinforcing Colt DCS and Equans Data Centers' commitment to innovation, efficiency, and sustainability in the data centre industry.

Located in Villebon, within a prime data centre hub in the Paris region, the 40MW PAR2 facility will be built on a brownfield site, setting new standards in energy efficiency and operational performance. Equans Data Centres' integrated delivery approach ensures seamless execution, from early-stage specialist mechanical and electrical engineering design to full-scale construction, including the grid substation, internal data hall fit-out, critical infrastructure installation, and a rigorous five-stage commissioning process. The result: a high-performance, resilient, and scalable facility that meets the stringent requirements of Colt DCS while adhering to the highest quality and safety standards.

Colt DCS quote

"Breaking ground at Colt Paris 2 is the exciting next step in our long-term commitment to France and its thriving digital economy. The Paris2 project we're working on with Equans Data Centers not only implements our innovative new design, but it also demonstrates our dedication to sustainable growth and innovation", said Hedi Olliver, Development Director EMEA.

"We are extremely pleased that Colt DCS has entrusted us with this strategic project, allowing us to integrate innovative liquid cooling technology and showcase our extensive expertise in the data centre industry. Working alongside the Colt DCS design team during the pre-construction phase enabled building a great team, starting the execution design and construction phases with a common understanding of the upcoming challenges and sharing the commitment to deliver a high-performance, resilient, and sustainable infrastructure," said Brice Fournay, Head of Equans Data Centres.

The project will be delivered in two phases, with initial construction commencing in early 2025. The first phase, delivering 20MW of the IT capacity. Throughout the project, Equans Data Centres will work in close collaboration with Bouygues Bâtiment Industrie, a group company that will oversee the construction aspect of the development.

Excellence in Quality, Speed, and Sustainability

Equans Data Centres' expertise in delivering complex, mission-critical facilities enables them to provide a low-risk, high-performance data centre solution. The approach prioritises:



- **Precision execution:** Delivering to exacting client standards through our in-house capabilities and deep technical expertise.
- **Scalability and speed:** Employing a consultative planning process and modular construction techniques to ensure rapid deployment and standardisation, while tailoring solutions to local requirements.
- **Sustainability and innovation:** Implementing cutting-edge liquid cooling technology to enhance efficiency, reduce environmental impact, and future-proof the facility.
- **Health & Safety leadership:** Maintaining the highest safety standards to protect people, processes, and infrastructure at every project stage.

This collaboration with Colt DCS underscores Equans Data Centres' position as a strategic partner in the European data centre market, trusted to deliver state-of-the-art infrastructure built for performance, innovation, and the future. With more than 1,200 experts, they have delivered over 300,000m² of data hall space, exceeding 640MW IT capacity for major hyperscale and colocation providers.

For more information about Equans Data Centers, please visit www.equansdatacenters.com

About Equans

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Equans designs, installs and supplies tailor-made solutions to improve its customers' equipment, systems and technical processes and optimise their use in support of their energy, industrial and digital transitions. Thanks to a strong local footprint based on its historic local brands and excellent technical expertise, Equans' highly qualified experts are capable of supporting regions, cities, industries and buildings in the fields of HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning), Refrigeration and Fire Safety, Facility Management, Digital and ICT, Electricity, Mechanics and Robotics. Equans is the leader in the main European markets (France, Switzerland, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom) and is also well positioned in the United States and Latin America.

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