

Colt significantly reduces network latency between Tokyo and London

Faster connectivity for financial organisations and enterprises

Tokyo, 12 December 2017 – <u>Colt Technology Services</u> today announced it has substantially reduced latency between Tokyo to London financial centres, to less than 159 milliseconds. This network optimisation is part of Colt's ongoing investment programme in the Colt IQ Network, addressing specific requirements of financial firms and enterprises. The improved latency strongly supports trading strategies that rely on low latency infrastructure to better support investment banks, high frequency trading (HFT) firms, FX related applications, and other financial organisations. Further, it provides enterprises a consolidated services approach whereby they have one supplier for all their network requirements.

Andrew Housden, VP, Capital Markets at Colt, commented: "We are committed to providing global financial firms with a very fast and reliable network infrastructure together with superior customer experience. This is why we are investing heavily in low latency connectivity between the key financial centres and exchanges in Asia, Europe and North America. This year, we have announced improved latency on our Chicago to Tokyo network route and key APAC routes. We are now focusing on the Tokyo to London route. Firms are increasingly using their network to gain a competitive advantage and the Colt IQ Network provides a consistently high experience across all regions."

Earlier this year, Colt announced a three-year investment plan focused on upgrading and expanding the capacity and reach of its network, enabling it to meet the growing global customer demand for high bandwidth connectivity. This year Colt has already invested €200 million to upgrade capacity across its global Colt IQ Network.

Colt's investment programme includes a significant revamp of low latency routes connecting key exchanges. With the network optimisations this year, Colt continues to be recognised as a top tier low latency route provider, especially in Asia, between trading venues such as the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (HKEX), the Singapore Exchange (SGX), the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) and the Japan Exchange Group (JPX/CC2).

About Colt

Colt aims to be the leader in enabling customers' digital transformation through agile and on demand, high bandwidth solutions. The Colt IQ Network connects over 800 data centres across Europe, Asia and North America's largest business hubs, with over 25,000 on-net buildings and growing.

Colt has built its reputation on putting customers first. Customers include data intensive organisations spanning over 200 cities in nearly 30 countries. Colt is a recognised innovator and pioneer in software defined networks (SDN) and network function virtualisation (NFV). Privately owned, Colt is one of the most financially sound companies in its industry and able to provide the best customer experience at a competitive price. For more information, please visit www.colt.net.

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