Keysource Awarded Major Contract to Design Nationwide Network of Data Centres Throughout China

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Chayora, a Hong Kong-based data centre infrastructure company, has chosen Keysource as its lead design consultancy partner for a nationwide network of world-class, licensed data centre campuses in some of China's most important cities. These will enable international online companies to effectively access the vast and rapidly developing Chinese market, providing the most reliable and assured route to business engagement in the region.

It follows last week's announcement* that Chayora Holdings Limited has reached an agreement for Standard Chartered Bank Principal Finance to become the lead institutional investor in Chayora, securing a strategic minority stake and providing equity funding for key data centre development projects.

Under the terms of the deal, Keysource will be responsible for delivering strategic design advice and site master planning in the initial phase. Leading the design team, Keysource will then work with Chayora and its customers to deliver designs in accordance with client requirements, site plans and in country codes.

The fully enabled, state-of-the-art, licensed data centre campuses will be constructed in key locations across China – initially in Tianjin, Shanghai, Nanjing, Hangzhou and Guangzhou, offering a range of options such as Powered Land, Built-to-Suit, Assured Scalability and Wholesale Colocation.

All Chayora sites have fully provisioned power from grid and direct feed renewable sources, and are fibre-connected to world-class standards, ready for data centre construction and immediate connection to the domestic internet. The campuses are very large creating technology districts in key cities. For example in Tianjin, it is anticipated that up to 12 data centres will ultimately be constructed on the Chayora campus amounting to around 3.5 million sq ft of buildings, with around half that total in white space.

Commenting on the announcement Mike West, CEO at Keysource, said: "This project builds on our growing experience in Asia, which will undoubtedly become the world's largest data centre market. It is testament to the proven quality of our design consultancy and understanding of the global data centre market. This is a highly vibrant market and we believe we have the skills and expertise to continue to deliver outstanding results here."

Oliver Jones, Chief Executive at Chayora, said: "Keysource has been selected to provide services for Chayora based on the company's unrivalled and proven capability to deliver world-class facilities. They have a strong understanding of our clients' needs and are able to quickly translate business drivers into deliverable projects. Keysource has demonstrated a passion for engagement in China, understanding the regulatory environment whilst respecting cultural differences. This has underpinned the successful award of our first two Data Centre Operator's Licences as part of the wider technical and commercial team."

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About Keysource

Keysource is the leading provider of turnkey solutions for data centres and business critical environments from consultancy through to on-going operation. With over 30 years' experience working across all sectors, its expert in-house teams have delivered industry-leading solutions for organisations across the globe.

About Chayora: Chayora Holdings Limited is a Cayman Island company and is the 100% owner of Chayora Limited, headquartered in Hong Kong which develops large-scale, world-class designed and operated, long-term scalable data centres and data centre parks in China. Chayora serves global Fortune 500 companies and premium Chinese data centre users offering cloud services, ICT services, financial services or other services offerings relying on intensive, high quality data centre infrastructure in China.

*Note to Editors:

Press Release: Standard Chartered Bank Principal Finance commits to US\$73m investment in Chayora, a China Data Centre Campus Developer and Operator. Learn more: http://bit.ly/1LAPdrj

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