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Proact set to deliver hyper-converged data centre solution to service provider Get

Data centre and cloud specialist Proact has been selected to deliver the first hyper-converged data centre solution of its kind in Norway to leading broadband and digital TV service provider Get. The platform will support Get's business intelligence application and will integrate with existing data centre systems that are also delivered by Proact.

Get is a leading fibre-based broadband and content provider in the Norwegian market. Some 500,000 homes and business are currently connected to Get's fibre-based network. They have access to fast broadband networks, a large selection of digital TV channels and an online video store with more than 6,000 rental titles.

Get needed to invest in a data centre solution for the primary purpose of running an all-new business intelligence application, a key function with strict performance and uptime requirements. Following a detailed evaluation with competitive bidding from several suppliers, Get chose a hyper-converged infrastructure (HCI) solution from Proact. The initial configuration includes five large compute nodes and five large storage nodes.

"We are very satisfied with Proact's past contributions to our data centre and the support they have provided over the years. We are adding a key business intelligence application but based on experience, we trust their advice and ideas for updating our data centre architecture. The new HCI solution delivers the performance and reliability we need, as well as simplified management, reducing the workload on our staff," says Jan Kåre Arnesen, Head of IT Operations at Get A/S.

The HCI solution will be easy to configure and tweak from a systems administration perspective as it uses tools and procedures that are present in Get's current data centre environment. And the HCI architecture is even easier to manage, quicker to learn and less costly to maintain than Get's existing architecture. The solution offers smooth integration on the storage level, including a clear growth path for the entire data centre environment.

Another advantage the hyper-converged solution will introduce is that it features a high level of granularity for both compute and storage resources. This way, upgrades can be made incrementally as Get's needs grow, without the service provider having to make large investments.

"Getting access to and reaping the benefits of cutting-edge technology, while protecting investments and maintaining a long-term IT strategy, is not easy to achieve. We believe that our successful collaboration with Get proves that you can have it all. It's great that they trust our skills and opinions, even when they involve truly business-critical data centre functions," says Eirik Pedersen, Acting Managing Director at Proact Norway.

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About Get

Get is a leading broadband and digital TV and video content provider in Norway. Get customers have access to one of the country's fastest broadband networks, among Norway's largest selection of digital TV channels and a film store with more than 6,000 rental titles. 500,000 homes and business are currently connected to Get's fibre-based network, and more than 1 million private and business customers use the company's services on a daily basis. Each year since 2000, Get has posted double-digit percentage annual growth.