## Shell expands in India with new global IT centre

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Shell India Markets Pvt. Ltd. today announced the creation of an in-house global information technology centre in Bangalore, India, which is expected to provide employment opportunities for several thousand IT professionals by 2020.

Shell will invest in the centre, which will form an integral part of Shell's global IT project delivery and support network. The investment stems from a review of Shell's global IT projects and selected operations support capability that places greater emphasis on delivering projects in-house. Shell plans to begin operations at the centre later this year.

"I am pleased to announce the creation of the Shell IT centre in Bangalore. This move will deliver benefits to Shell and India for decades to come," said Dr. Yasmine Hilton, Chairman of Shell Companies in India. "We aim to attract the brightest and the best talent in the industry and provide opportunities for them to build world-class business solutions. This is good news for Shell and for India."

Bangalore was selected because of its competitiveness and the availability of a skilled, diverse IT talent pool covering the broad range of skills and disciplines that Shell needs worldwide. The centre will provide IT services to all of Shell's businesses – Upstream, Downstream and Projects & Technology – as well as associated support functions.

Employment opportunities at the centre will be announced in the near future on the Shell India website, **www.shell.in**.

"This is an important development for Royal Dutch Shell," said Harry Brekelmans, Shell's Projects & Technology Director. "Bangalore's significant IT talent will improve our ability to provide top-quality IT project delivery and selected operations support around the world. We look forward to further building on Shell's close links with Bangalore."

Shell already has a Projects and Technology Centre in Bangalore (STCB), employing over 1,000 scientists and engineers, which is part of its Projects & Technology business. In 2016, STCB will move to a purpose-built, dedicated campus, spread over 52 acres near Devanahalli, close to Bangalore International Airport. Shell also has a Business Operations Centre based in Chennai, where over 2,000 employees provide business and financial support to Shell companies worldwide.

Shell India has a growing lubricants and retail business and is present in integrated gas through its liquefied natural gas (LNG) regasification plant and port in Hazira. Shell recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Andhra Pradesh Gas Development Corporation, GDF Suez and GAIL on a Floating Storage Regasification Unit (FSRU) project in Kakinada in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

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## **Notes to Editors:**

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