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Agfa HealthCare and STC Solutions enter into a long-term collaboration to deliver Cloud-hosted advanced Enterprise Imaging services to the Saudi Arabia healthcare market

Successfully concluded pilot projects with Ministry of Health and several private healthcare providers demonstrate working model for innovative imaging services

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- Agfa HealthCare and STC Solutions have agreed to engage for the delivery of medical imaging applications as cloud-hosted services.
- Pilot projects conducted in the last 12 months have received very positive feedback from both radiologists and IT specialists.
- Combining Agfa HealthCare's latest Enterprise Imaging solution with STC's high-end cloud infrastructure and connectivity solutions will be a game changer in Saudi Arabia for medical image management.

Agfa HealthCare announces that on October 10, 2017 it has signed an agreement with STC Solutions to collaborate on delivering advanced healthcare IT solutions to healthcare providers in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, through a cloud-hosted service model. The first of such service offerings will be focused on medical imaging applications to STC's healthcare vertical customers, building on Agfa HealthCare's latest Enterprise Imaging platform. Delivery through a cloud-hosted model from STC's high-end data centres in combination with STC's advanced connectivity technology will enable the deployment and usage of image management solutions easier and more affordable for healthcare facilities in the Kingdom.

A wealth of expertise and technology for better healthcare

Agfa HealthCare and STC Solutions carried out pilot projects to demonstrate working model for the innovative cloud-hosted enterprise imaging solution over

the last 12 months. Pilot projects were jointly carried out with the Ministry of Health (MOH) and private organizations.

Agfa HealthCare and STC Solutions are seen by customers as strong companies who each bring a wealth of expertise and technology in their specific domains. STC provides connectivity, system and network integration solutions as well as managed services for customers in the Kingdom. The cloud-hosted services will be delivered from STC's data hosting facilities in Tier 4 data centers in Saudi Arabia.

Value-based care coordination and quality outcomes

The agreement will enable customers to use STC's private cloud infrastructure to access Agfa HealthCare's Enterprise Imaging solution: a sophisticated, unified platform that provides an imaging management system, a vendor neutral archiving (VNA), a powerful workflow engine, real-time inter-disciplinary collaboration tools, KLAS Category Leader XERO Universal Viewer, advanced clinical tools and efficient reporting functionality. This unified solution thus supports value-based care coordination, equipping care-givers with a broad range of functions that help support their goal to focus on achieving quality outcomes.

"We are very glad to conclude this agreement, as we are convinced that Agfa HealthCare and STC will be able to change the market in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for PACS, by combining the advantages of Enterprise Imaging with the strength of our high-end cloud and connectivity solutions," commented Eng. Omer Alnomani, CEO of STC Solutions. "We are very excited to team with Agfa HealthCare. Today STC Solutions is the top IT services provider in Saudi Arabia providing comprehensive ICT, Digital and eHealth solutions and Agfa Healthcare a key player in this space. We, therefore, see great opportunities in leveraging our respective strengths to drive favorable business outcomes for STC customers who are looking at ways to benefit from our digital health solutions".

Fast, easy data retrieval and reporting

"During the pilot projects, many aspects of the solution – such as time to retrieve study data, reporting functionality, ease of use, accessibility, performance and

more – were evaluated by radiologists and IT specialists. Their feedback was extremely positive,” comments Mustafa Hamdy, Managing Director of Agfa HealthCare in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. “Working with STC Solutions, we will be able to offer hospitals in Saudi Arabia a whole new approach to image management that fits their specific and real needs.”

For an image, courtesy of Agfa HealthCare, [click here](#)

About STC Solutions:

STC Solutions is part of Saudi Telecom Company's ongoing commitment to transform itself into a leading regional ICT player. STCS is accelerating STC's enterprise segment growth strategy through providing a wide range of Information and communications Technology services beyond the traditional Telco offerings. STC Solutions operates under the umbrella of the Enterprise Business Unit of STC and provides advanced services and solutions that include IoT/M2M solutions, VSAT Services, Cloud Services, Network solution design, Business continuity solutions, Data center services, Managed Services and ICT Systems Integration.

About Agfa

The Agfa-Gevaert Group is one of the world's leading companies in imaging and information technology. Agfa develops manufactures and markets analogue and digital systems for the printing industry (Agfa Graphics), for the healthcare sector (Agfa HealthCare), and for specific industrial applications (Agfa Materials). Agfa is headquartered in Mortsel, Belgium. The company is present in 40 countries and has agents in another 100 countries around the globe.

About Agfa HealthCare

Agfa HealthCare, present in one hospital out of two, is a leading provider of eHealth & Digital Imaging solutions. Care organizations in over 100 countries rely on Agfa HealthCare to optimize their efficiency and improve patient care.

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