

# CenturyLink launches data center operations in Quito, Ecuador

## *New construction model optimizes energy and space efficiencies*

QUITO, Ecuador, June 12, 2018 /[PRNewswire](#)/ -- Global communications and IT provider [CenturyLink, Inc.](#) (NYSE: CTL) is expanding its broad regional offering of colocation, hosting, cloud computing, security, collaboration, communications and managed services for its existing and new customers by launching a new data center in Quito, Ecuador.

Ecuador's new data center integrates with CenturyLink's 17 other data centers in Latin America, as well as the company's broad global infrastructure, by providing direct connectivity to CenturyLink's approximately 450,000 route miles of fiber globally.

The new Quito data center will provide customers with a processing environment designed to provide high levels of availability, improved quality and increased speed of access to the rest of the world. The new facility also offers customers fiber route diversity for deployment of contingency environments.

"Located in proximity to customers, with 24x7 availability and next-generation security systems, this new data center was built to optimize energy and space efficiencies," commented Gabriel del Campo, vice president, data center and security, CenturyLink Latin America. "By taking this approach, we were able to have the facility operational in less time -- an important benefit to customers eager to take advantage of our data center services."

Through this innovative construction model, CenturyLink was able to meet the following objectives:

- Offer infrastructure in compliance with the Uptime Institute's TIER III requirements and regulations TIA 942 and NFPA75 to ensure the level of service required by enterprise customers, in alignment with the strictest rules for next-generation data centers.
- Maximize power efficiency and optimize the use of space.
- Offer a resistant seismic computing center.
- Reduce launch times for new data center rooms.

"Our data center and managed services business is growing," added del Campo.

"We count on high quality data centers to provide our customers with the best solutions and services."

### **Key Facts:**

- The new data center was built using a modular construction system known as eCentre, a pre-assembled facility, equipped and tested in the factory in Sweden, and customized to ensure the building meets all local structural regulations for this type of construction.
- The first phase of the project consisted of a one floor 300KW data center; however, the complete project is designed to enable vertical expansion to two floors, offering additional free space to more than 100 racks on each floor.
- CenturyLink announced the launch of a [new fiber optic route connecting Ecuador to Colombia](#), from the city of Quito to Cali.
- CenturyLink's data centers host both CenturyLink's and customers' environments, with a team of specialized technicians managing the environments.
- CenturyLink's data centers in Latin America received several certifications, including the Uptime Institute's TIER III, SAP Hosting Partner, ISO/IEC 27017 and ISO/IEC 27001, reflecting its commitment to maintain the high level of quality established by international standards for data center management.
- CenturyLink regularly measures and improves its data center and security services. An important part of the maintenance process includes updating and renewing the certification of its installations, the foundation for its strict information security policies, for traditional and cloud services.

## About CenturyLink

[CenturyLink](#) (NYSE: CTL) is the second largest U.S. communications provider to global enterprise customers. With customers in more than 60 countries and an intense focus on the customer experience, CenturyLink strives to be the world's best networking company by solving customers' increased demand for reliable and secure connections. The company also serves as its customers' trusted partner, helping them manage increased network and IT complexity and providing managed network and cyber security solutions that help protect their business.

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