NRI to be the Japan's First
AWS Financial Services Competency Partner

TOKYO, October 6, 2017 - Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI), a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, today announced that it has achieved Amazon Web Services (AWS) Financial Services Competency status. This designation recognizes NRI for providing deep expertise in financial industry, speedy and implemented solutions that align with AWS architectural best practices, and having breadth of experience in providing solutions for financial services.

Achieving the AWS Financial Services Competency differentiates NRI as an AWS Partner Network (APN) member that has demonstrated relevant technical proficiency and proven customer success, delivering solutions seamlessly in the AWS Cloud environment. To receive the designation, APN Partners must possess deep expertise in the AWS platform and undergo an assessment of the security, performance and reliability of their solutions.

"We are delighted to be the Japan's first AWS Partner Network (APN) member to achieve AWS Financial Services Competency status," said Tatsuya Watahiki, Senior Corporate Managing Director, NRI. "As an AWS competency partner, we further increase our ability to support our customers, such as large-scale enterprise companies represented by financial firms. We accelerate our customers' "cloud journey" by implementing cloud platforms, integrating hybrid cloud which includes existing data center assets, and providing solutions which offer a single-pane-of-glass operation experience."

The AWS Cloud is enabling scalable, flexible, and cost-effective solutions for banking and payments, capital markets, and insurance organizations of all sizes, from startups to global enterprises. To support the seamless integration and deployment of these solutions, AWS established the Financial Services Partner Competency Program to help customers identify Consulting and Technology APN Partners with deep industry experience and expertise.

AWS Financial Services Competency Badge

NRI has been working with AWS to maximize the value of cloud technology. Since 2013, NRI has been certified as APN Premier Consulting Partner for 5 consecutive years. The AWS Premier Consulting Partner highlights the top APN Consulting partners globally that have achieved the highest level of knowledge, technical expertise and successful implementation and deployments of AWS cloud solutions. In addition, NRI has achieved six AWS competencies as follows:

- AWS Big Data Competency (July 2014)
- AWS Oracle Competency (December 2014)
- AWS SAP Competency (August 2016)
- AWS Migration Competency (April 2017)
- AWS Security Competency (May 2017)
- AWS Financial Services Competency (August 2017)

In July, NRI has successfully completed AWS Managed Service Provider (MSP) Partner Program for 3 consecutive years. The AWS Managed Service Program is designed for APN Partners who are skilled at cloud infrastructure and application migration, and deliver value to customers by offering proactive monitoring, automation, and management of their customer's environment. For more information, visit http://clouds.nri.com/

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and Singapore, and reports annual sales above $3.7 billion. For more information, visit https://www.nri.com/global/

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