

NRI Launches First Private Cloud Solution to Investment Managers in Japan

T-MONOLIX ARENA Private Cloud Service is the first and only solution of its kind specifically designed to meet the unique needs of region's investment management community

TOKYO – August 26, 2014 – Nomura Research Institute, Ltd., (NRI) a leading provider of <u>consulting services and system solutions</u>, today announced the launch of T-MONOLIX ARENA Private Cloud Service (ARENA Private), its unique private cloud solution in Japan. The offering is the only available cloud solution for asset managers in the region, designed to host all IT applications and tailored to the specific investment vehicles these firms own.

ARENA Private is a part of the NRI T-STAR product suite, the proprietary technology solutions which offer more than 100 asset management firms and pension funds complete front-to-back office support. The private cloud technology provides a seamless connection between investment managers' infrastructures and NRI's industry standard infrastructure service, T-STAR, as well as third-party data vendors and BPO vendors.

"ARENA Private empowers investment management firms to make more strategic decisions and is scalable to fit the needs of a wide range of institutions," said Katsuhiko Fujita, Senior Managing Director, NRI. "Through this offering, we are keeping capital expenditures for the asset management firms low, enabling clients to avoid investing a majority of their budget into IT assets, which can be very costly."

The ARENA Private solution lifts investment managers' IT software and hardware from their data centers to NRI's secured private cloud. NRI's private cloud is hosted in its robust data centers, enabling asset managers to focus on the core business rather than spending valuable human resources operating and maintaining IT assets. The solution quickly configures a specific user access control to BPO services and helps investment managers to adopt the BPO service in a highly secured environment.

"Additionally, through NRI's business standards, we ensure that all required IT governance rules are met, while providing robust BCP and disaster recovery offerings, relieving the asset managers of the burden these compliance mandates can create," said Fujita. "We understand the unique challenges that Japanese investment managers face and as regional experts, we are well positioned to help these organizations address these issues through our award-winning technology and consultation services."

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