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Nomura Research Institute, Ltd.

NRI named on IDC Fintech Enterprise Top 50 list

Tokyo, September 11, 2024 – Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan; President & CEO Kaga Yanagisawa, "NRI") a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, is proud to announce it was categorized as a 2024 IDC FinTech Rankings Top 50 solution provider. The elite list includes technology companies worldwide that specialize in delivering solutions for the financial services and fintech industries.

NRI ranks high on the IDC list for innovative technology solutions and offers those solutions to financial firms in the asset management and capital markets industries across the world, from back to front office, in addition to industry leading research and consulting services. Several recent developments have further cemented NRI's industry leadership including an announcement earlier this year that NRI's post-trade solution I-STAR/GX has begun to offer direct connection to Swift, making it the first post-trade system in the world to directly connect to Swift¹.

"Our inclusion in this year's IDC rankings is another proud moment and a testament to how we continue to be an innovative and trusted partner for our clients," says Noriyuki Takeda, Senior Managing Director at NRI. "The financial services industry is always changing and very competitive, yet with recognitions like this, NRI shows year over year its ability to listen closely to client needs and adapt in a fast-paced market."

In July, NRI introduced SmartBridge Advance, a new connection service between its securities order management system and the electronic bond trading platform operated by financial tech company, MarketAxess² helping improve operational efficiency for the asset management industry and helping firms reach broader global stakeholders through NRI's solution. A year ago, NRI also announced a collaboration with the Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC) to provide greater post-trade automation and efficiency to Japan, allowing firms to achieve shorter time to settlement.

Empowering the financial industry with its cutting-edge technology is at the core of NRI's business. As a front-runner solution provider, NRI leverages AI to tackle the challenges of today's data-driven world, including security breaches. In Spring 2025, NRI will launch its innovative 'Financial AI Platform' to offer a secure and flexible environment for financial firms to deploy AI, unlock new opportunities, and protect their data.

The Fortune 500-style IDC ranking recognizes IT providers that have enabled a genuine, measurable, and future-enabling change at a client financial institution (bank, capital markets firm, or insurer) in the worldwide financial services industry. These providers supply the technological backbone of the financial services industry, an industry in which IDC forecasts worldwide spending on IT across the globe to be over \$800 billion (USD) by 2026.

About NRI

Founded in 1965, NRI is a leading global provider of consulting services and system solutions, including management consulting, system integration, and IT management and solutions for the financial, manufacturing, retail and service industries. Clients from all layers of these individual industries partner with NRI to tap NRI's research expertise and innovative solutions across the organization to expand businesses, design corporate structures and create new business strategies. NRI has more than 16,000 employees in 16 countries and regions including New York, London, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Australia. NRI reports annual sales above 735,000 JPY million. NRI is rated "A" by S&P Global Ratings Japan. For more information, visit https://www.nri.com/en

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¹ Please see the press release here: https://www.nri.com/en/news/newsrelease/lst/2024/cc/0311_1

² Please see the press release here: https://www.nri.com/en/news/info/cc/lst/2024/0729_1