

Digital Realty Introduces New Direct Connections to Google Cloud to Enable Hybrid Network Connections in Five Key Global Metros

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- New on-ramps in Atlanta, Los Angeles, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Vienna help connect Digital Realty enterprise customers to Google Cloud's global network
- Expands dedicated, private connection to support high bandwidth, consistent workloads
- Twelve direct and 25 virtual connections to Google Cloud network now available globally on PlatformDIGITAL®

AUSTIN, Texas, March 23, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Digital Realty (NYSE: DLR), a leading global provider of carrier- and cloud-neutral data center, colocation and interconnection solutions, announced today it has expanded secure, private access to Google Cloud's global network in five key metros. These new on-ramps will enable direct, high-speed, low-latency connections on Digital Realty's Atlanta and Los Angeles connected campuses in the U.S. as well as **Vienna** in Austria and **Düsseldorf** in Germany. Digital Realty has also added a second direct interconnect to Google Cloud in **Frankfurt**.

"Today's enterprises require more flexibility, scalability and agility to meet the growing demands placed on IT infrastructure and to overcome the barriers posed by data gravity," said Tony Bishop, SVP, Platform, Growth and Marketing at Digital Realty. "Direct connectivity to Google Cloud helps customers bring their applications, compute, and analytics closer to their data, enabling performance, latency and proximity benefits for hybrid IT deployments. Today's announcement supports Digital Realty's overall vision of interconnecting global communities of customers around their most strategic asset: data."

Direct, low-latency interconnections to Google Cloud are available from 12 locations on Digital Realty's global platform – in Atlanta, Los Angeles and New York in North America, and in Düsseldorf, Madrid, Marseille, Paris, Stockholm, Vienna, and Zürich as well as two distinct locations in Frankfurt within EMEA. In addition, the Digital Realty Internet Exchange (**DRIX**) supports Google's Direct Peering capabilities and dedicated access to multiple

third-party Internet Exchanges on PlatformDIGITAL®, providing a direct path from on-premise networks to Google Cloud services. Digital Realty customers can also reach Google Cloud in 25 additional markets across the Americas, APAC and EMEA via virtual interconnections, providing another route for enterprises to deploy their critical infrastructure in close proximity to Google Cloud on [PlatformDIGITAL®](#).

With direct access to network on-ramps to [Google Cloud](#), Digital Realty customers benefit from the ability to rapidly build, iterate and deploy digital business applications on Google Cloud's highly scalable and reliable infrastructure. Direct access to Google Cloud also offers significant cost advantages for outbound traffic between Google Virtual Private Cloud and customers' existing on-premise IT resources. In addition, ease of API integration between customer infrastructure and Google Cloud simplifies management of critical services.

Direct connections to the cloud provide better speed, lower latency, higher reliability and security to enable greater performance and data throughput, a key advantage as datasets grow and the effects of data gravity become more pronounced. Data gravity is a megatrend redefining the way global 2000 enterprises approach future IT architectural models – and address issues such as data stewardship and localization. Digital Realty recently expanded its [Data Gravity Index DGx™ 1.5](#) to provide insights into the intensity and gravitational force of enterprise data growth across 53 global metros – including Atlanta, Los Angeles, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Vienna – as well as 23 unique vertical industries. Learn more by visiting the Data Gravity [Insights Hub](#).

Industry Perspectives

"As a trusted partner to the world's leading enterprises, our infrastructure directly supports our customers' digital transformation goals. By deploying in close proximity to direct, high-performance access to the Google Cloud at Digital Realty's data centers, we enable Atos customers to rapidly scale their digital business through a data-centric approach to hybrid IT."

– Christopher Mankle, Vice President, Global Client Delivery Executive at Atos

"Today's evolving digital businesses demand scalability and resiliency to drive their business goals forward, and cloud proximity is key to helping them overcome the data gravity challenges inhibiting growth. By extending access to Google Cloud on PlatformDIGITAL®, we're helping customers transform their architectures and deploy their applications, compute and analytics in close proximity to enterprise data in the Google Cloud. We're excited to expand our collaboration with Google to support our customers as we enable open, dynamic connected data communities worldwide."

–Tony Bishop, SVP, Platform, Growth and Marketing at Digital Realty

"Organizations of all sizes are increasingly looking to the cloud to run key applications, or even to transform aspects of their businesses. Connectivity services like those offered by Digital Realty can help businesses get up and

running in the cloud more quickly and efficiently. We're excited that they will expand availability of their services in key markets."

–Manvinder Singh, Director, Partnerships at Google Cloud

Supporting Resources

- Learn more about [Google Cloud Interconnect](#) at Digital Realty
- Explore global deployment opportunities on [PlatformDIGITAL®](#)
- Read Digital Realty's industry manifesto for [Enabling Connected Data Communities](#)
- Interxion: A Digital Realty Company acquires expansion land in [Vienna](#)

About Digital Realty

Digital Realty supports the world's leading enterprises and service providers by delivering the full spectrum of data center, colocation and interconnection solutions. PlatformDIGITAL®, the company's global data center platform, provides customers a trusted foundation and proven Pervasive Datacenter Architecture (PDx™) solution methodology for scaling digital business and efficiently managing data gravity challenges. Digital Realty's global data center footprint gives customers access to the connected communities that matter to them with 280 facilities in 47 metros across 24 countries on six continents. For more information, please visit digitalrealty.com or follow us on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#).

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