

## Clarence, the joint venture of Proximus & LuxConnect, for a disconnected sovereign cloud

*LUXEMBOURG – 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 –* The Clarence joint venture between Proximus and LuxConnect marks a new stage in the Luxembourg cloud era, offering Europe's first disconnected sovereign cloud solution.

Officially unveiled this Wednesday, October 25 at the Google Distributed Cloud Launch Event, the jointventure has its origins in a shared ambition to create a sovereign, disconnected cloud designed to meet the needs of enterprises. The two companies thus offer an attractive value proposition to businesses, in line with the European guideline of digital and digital independence and autonomy, and enabling them to retain control over data access and integrity.

"Our two founding companies bring complementary expertise to this unique collaboration. Proximus has solid experience in delivering managed services to regulated companies in the financial sector, in full compliance with European regulations. LuxConnect brings its expertise in highly secure, state-of-the-art hosting to the table. Our common goal is to enable our customers to benefit from a trusted solution on the Luxembourg market," says **Gérard Hoffmann**, CEO of Proximus Luxembourg.



Clarence is the combination of two strong words for the founding companies: Clarity & Transparency; notions which are also reflected in the values of the joint venture. The association of Proximus and LuxConnect is also represented in the colors of the new company. The cloud symbolizes the product marketed by the joint venture.

Sovereignty, security, reliability and innovation are Clarence's watchwords for providing a solution that meets customers' needs.

"Clarence's core mission is to offer a state-of-the-art disconnected sovereign cloud solution. Based on Google Cloud technology, this unique proposition guarantees the confidentiality and security of the most sensitive information, giving control over data, and offering total autonomy of operation. Clarence respects the highest ethical standards in data protection, confidentiality, transparency and regulatory compliance," explains **Paul Konsbruck**, CEO of LuxConnect.

## About Clarence

Clarence, the joint venture between Proximus Luxembourg (leader in convergent ICT and telecom services) and LuxConnect (a key player in the datacenter sector), offers a unique disconnected sovereign cloud solution to



governments, regulated companies, international organizations and enterprises with sensitive data in Europe. Its main mission is to offer an innovative solution while guaranteeing the confidentiality and security of information, and providing total autonomy of operation.

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