Google Cloud Celebrates One Year Anniversary of Doha Cloud Region with Inaugural Summit, Showcasing Growth and Al Innovation in Qatar

Doha, Qatar, May 28, 2024 – Today, Google Cloud proudly celebrated the one-year anniversary of its launch of the Doha Google Cloud region with the inaugural Google Cloud Doha Summit. Under the esteemed patronage of His Excellency Mr. Mohammed bin Ali Al Mannai, Minister of Communications and Information Technology, the event marked a year of remarkable progress, innovation, and collaboration in Qatar's digital landscape.

The summit, held today at Stadium 974 in Doha, brought together more than 1,000 attendees, including Google Cloud partners, customers, government officials, and industry leaders, to commemorate the achievements of the past year and explore the future of cloud computing and Al. It also stood as a testament to the growth and potential witnessed in Qatar's digital ecosystem, thanks to the visionary leadership of H.E. Mr. Mohammed bin Ali Al Mannai, Minister of Communication and Information Technology.

Mr. Sami Mohammed Al Shammari, Assistant Undersecretary for Infrastructure and Operations Affairs at the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology, stated that, "We congratulate Google Cloud on their first successful year in Qatar. Your contribution has been valuable to the development of the digital landscape in our country. By fostering innovation and providing cutting-edge solutions, Google Cloud has enhanced our technological capabilities, moving progress across various sectors. We look forward to continuing this fruitful partnership and witnessing further advancements as we work together to achieve our digital transformation goals."

Ghassan Kosta, Regional Country Manager at Google Cloud, said, "This milestone not only represents a technological achievement, but also underscores the incredible potential and growth we've seen in Qatar's digital marketplace. We are deeply committed to fostering a thriving ecosystem where businesses, government entities, and individuals can leverage the power of Al to drive real economic growth and create opportunities for everyone."

Summit Attendees had the opportunity to hear from industry leaders, including Sheikh Ali Bin Jabor Al-Thani, Chief Executive Officer of Ooredoo Qatar, who shared insights into Ooredoo's data transformation partnership with Google Cloud. Sheikh Ali highlighted the role of generative Al (gen Al) in driving Ooredoo Qatar's future goals.

During the event, Google Cloud also shared how customers and partners are innovating with cloud technologies and AI, including MCIT, University of Doha for Science Technology (UDST), Qatar University, Community College of Qatar (CCQ), Milaha, Qatar Chemical Company (QChem), Ooredoo Qatar, Omantel, belN Media Group, Aljazeera, Aspire, Primary Health Care Corporation (PHCC), The Ministry of Endowment and Islamic Affairs (Awqaf), Qatar Racing and Equestrian Club (QREC), Qatar Post (QPost), Rafeeq, Taallum Group and many others.

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