

## **OADC Texaf - Kinshasa Achieves Triple Certification Milestone**

#### ISO 27001, ISO 22301 and PCI DSS

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Open Access Data Centres (OADC) Texaf - Kinshasa in another first for the DRC, proudly announces the attainment of three prestigious certifications: ISO 27001, ISO 22301 and PCI DSS. This remarkable achievement underscores OADC Texaf - Kinshasa's steadfast commitment to delivering secure, resilient and world-class digital infrastructure services in the DRC that meet stringent global standards.

ISO 27001, the globally recognised standard for Information Security Management Systems (ISMS), validates that OADC Texaf - Kinshasa has implemented robust measures for its information security management, demonstrating its ability to reassure clients of its information security integrity. This certification also underpins the PCI-DSS Certification.

The Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) compliance establishes OADC Texaf - Kinshasa as a trusted partner for the financial services and payments industry. This globally recognised certification demonstrates adherence to stringent security protocols and controls, playing a key role in transforming the DRC's financial and payments ecosystem. It also provides critical reassurance in meeting the growing demands of the DRC population.

Finally, ISO 22301 certification; the Business Continuity Management System (BCMS) ensures uninterrupted service delivery and rapid recovery from unforeseen disruptions, providing clients with critical assurances of operational excellence and resilience - a cornerstone of trust and reliability for business demanding the utmost in operational integrity.

Mr. Mohammed Bouhelal, Managing Director of OADC Texaf - Kinshasa, remarked: "Achieving ISO 27001, ISO 22301 and PCI DSS certifications is a testament to our unwavering dedication to operational excellence and client-centric service delivery. These milestones position OADC as a leader in secure and resilient digital infrastructure, supporting the growth of the DRC's digital economy and fostering trust among local and international businesses."

These certifications hold immense significance for OADC Texaf - Kinshasa's diverse clientele, including Internet Service Providers (ISPs), telecommunications carriers, enterprise clients, banks, fintech providers and mobile money operators. By meeting and exceeding global standards, OADC Texaf - Kinshasa strengthens the foundation for secure and reliable digital services, enabling innovation and economic growth across the region.

This achievement also bolsters the DRC's position as an emerging hub for digital infrastructure in Africa, attracting foreign investment and fostering confidence in the country's digital transformation journey. As the demand for secure, resilient and compliant data centre services grows, OADC Texaf - Kinshasa remains at the forefront, setting benchmarks for excellence and shaping the future of the digital economy in the DRC and central Africa.

# For more information about OADC Texaf Kinshasa please visit:

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## About OADC - https://openaccessdc.net/

Open Access Data Centres (OADC), a WIOCC Group Company, was established to transform the provision of data centre services for Africa. The company is rapidly implementing a world-class, carrier-neutral, pan-Africa data centre footprint that will deliver an unparalleled client experience, offering expert assistance and support, partnership in tailoring bespoke solutions and leading-edge information systems to support client business decision-making.

OADC is deploying its open-access, Tier-III hyperscale data centres at major cable landing locations and in key business hubs throughout Africa.

OADC EDGE data centres are being deployed into smaller locations, serving the ongoing need to support service providers in extending network reach, and the growing requirement for content storage, processing and delivery at the network edge.

OADC is an environmentally responsible company and as such is pursuing a wide range of environmental and management accreditations.

### **About WIOCC Group**

Since 2008, WIOCC Group, Africa's converged open-access digital infrastructure (CODI) leader, has been helping transform Africa's digital landscape by introducing client-centric innovations.

WIOCC Group, the parent company of <u>WIOCC</u>, Africa's digital backbone, and Open Access Data Centres (<u>OADC</u>), Africa's fastest-growing data centre company. It is pioneering and accelerating Africa's digital transformation: creating an environment in which all Africans can take advantage of world-class technology developments to build better lives, better businesses and a better world, by deploying CODI across Africa; infrastructure that will expedite and underpin Africa's digital transformation.

About TEXAF – www.texaf.be

Established in 1925, TEXAF is the only listed company with all its activities in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Currently, these are concentrated on real estate and quarrying, although TEXAF is beginning to develop a new branch of activity in the digital field and aims to become a major player in this sector.

This listing on the stock exchange and the resulting obligations of good governance and transparency constitutes a major asset for the group's development and for the promotion of the formal sector in the DRC.