



Hit Rail with support of inQdo moves its international HEROS platform to public cloud to provide secure, flexible and scalable architecture for its interoperability services

Support partner inQdo to help with the migration and provide ongoing IaaS services

Nieuwegein/Brussels, 09 May 2018 – International rail data exchange specialist [Hit Rail B.V.](#) will migrate in the next three months its internationally recognised interoperability platform HEROS (Hermes Open Services) to a public cloud environment using AWS (Amazon Web Services). Hit Rail has appointed AWS advanced consulting partner and reseller [inQdo B.V.](#) to support the migration of its HEROS middleware platform to the cloud, along with all its infrastructure services. inQdo will also provide ongoing support for Hit Rail's AWS IaaS (Infrastructure as a Service) HEROS platform.

[Hit Rail B.V.](#) is a leading provider of telecommunications and IT services to the European Railways community. Its core services include the Hermes VPN, a private IP network connecting more than 50 railway companies in Europe, running on the BT Global Network. In addition, Hit Rail provides a range of interoperability solutions under the HEROS brand, based on a middleware platform directly connected to the Hermes VPN. To deliver these services, Hit Rail must rely on a secure, flexible and scalable IT architecture and this was a major factor in the decision to migrate to the AWS public cloud.

As the widespread availability of connectivity continues to speed up the digitalisation of services and products, and generate operational efficiencies in the railway industry, the emergence of cloud technologies and the cloud “everything-as-a-service” delivery model has dramatically changed the way companies are building and delivering IT applications. Hit Rail's decision is a direct response to these developments in the market place and the needs of its customers.

Antonio Lopez, General Manager of [Hit Rail B.V.](#) said: “Our customers depend on us, as specialist providers of their IT services, to provide the best and most up-to-date services possible. Security remains and always will be a priority, but reliability, flexibility and future-proofing are important factors as the industry rapidly changes in a digital world. This aligns very much with our decision to migrate our HEROS interoperability platform to a public cloud computing provider willing to host,

manage and support our middleware platform on behalf of Hit Rail for a minimum of three years. In inQdo we have found a partner we can trust with this business-critical and sensitive project to the benefit of our customers.”

Bart Boonen, managing partner of [inQdo](https://www.inqdo.com), said: “Together with Hit Rail, we designed a solid migration plan. This migration plan, combined with inQdo’s extensive experience and best practices, forms a sound, future-proof solution that enables Hit Rail to flexibly serve its customers. After completing the migration, our consultants will be responsible for delivering support regarding the AWS IaaS platform. At the same time, we’ll continually strive to improve the platform. We’re definitely looking forward to this collaboration!”

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About Hit Rail B.V.

Hit Rail B.V. is a private Dutch company created in 1990 and owned by 12 European railway companies. Its purpose is to help European railway companies to carry out international projects in related fields of data communications and information technology. Hit Rail is responsible for managing secure international private data communications infrastructure and message brokering services on behalf of its shareholders and customers. Its services are used by some 50 railway companies from 21 countries. All Hit Rail customers’ data centres and company networks are interconnected by a pan-European secure IP-based VPN (Virtual Private Network) named Hermes VPN, which is supplied by British Telecom (BT) and managed by Hit Rail. In 2013, the company launched its HEROS platform as a family of solutions that delivers benefits to the railway companies across Europe, by enabling message interoperability across disparate platforms between railway applications in passenger, freight and infrastructure for IT communications.

For more information please visit <http://www.hitrail.com/> or send an email to info@hitrail.com.

About inQdo B.V.

inQdo was founded in 2010. With its managing partners’ innate passion for IT and integration, inQdo developed into the current professional team of IT experts. inQdo now supports more than 70 clients. Its team of integration consultants supports companies by simplifying their business processes. inQdo’s AWS consultants help organizations with transforming their IT systems to the AWS cloud. inQdo is an advanced AWS consulting partner and AWS reseller, and is specialized in cloud transformation, monitoring, support and SAP on AWS. inQdo selects the best AWS components for its customers, based on extensive experience and best practices.

For more information please visit <https://www.inqdo.com> or send an email to info@inqdo.com.

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