

## SAFEHOUSE offers green data centre services

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KUALA LUMPUR (Oct 24): Green is in. With that in mind, the technology arm of Main Board-listed Ireka Corporation Berhad, i-Tech Network Solutions Sdn Bhd recently launched its green data centre aptly named SAFEHOUSE.

SAFEHOUSE provides international standard data centre services with increased network reliability and scalability that houses technologies from the likes of IBM, Schneider Electric and Juniper Networks, with the capacity of approximately 100 racks in total.

Not only it is a low carbon footprint data centre, SAFEHOUSE is also designed to operate as selfcontained ecosystems and with its scalable modular data centre (SMDC) architecture, the SAFEHOUSE promotes lower energy consumption while maintaining a low total cost of ownership.

This is not surprising as the data centre is powered by IBM with support from Juniper Networks, APC by Schneider Electric. Coupled with i-Tech's certified data centre engineers and personnel, it allows SAFEHOUSE to offer managed services, disaster recovery and business continuity solutions and colocation services.

MDeC's head of policy planning and advocacy department, digital enablement division, Tan Tze Meng said that recognising the potential of data centres in economic development, entry point project 3 (EPP3) aims to position Malaysia as a world-class data centre hub.

"SAFEHOUSE, albeit a relatively small player, has huge growth potential. SAFEHOUSE is the perfect solution for small and medium enterprises," said Tan.

Meanwhile, according to i-Tech chief executive officer Leonard Yee, the SAFEHOUSE data centre which is marketed worldwide via MDeC's directory, was built to cater to the high demand for managed and outsourced services in a secure environment.

"Businesses are demanding for highly secure, reliable and scalable infrastructure when evaluating a data centre. SAFEHOUSE data centre meets these needs and more with its green element," Leonard said.

Since the SAFEHOUSE data centre was established in 2011, the company has been offering tier-3 data centre facilities. It aimed to grow to 5,000 sq feet from its 1,000 sq feet area as at April 2012.

"We hope to cater to the small and medium enterprises. Organisations today understands that colocating their data centres offer the flexibility to upscale or even downscale their technology and as the business grows or as per business requirements, whilst minimising capital investments," said Leonard regarding their target market.

With efforts to obtain ISO27001 certification underway, i-Tech is set on promoting green solutions to

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