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Hong Kong Jockey Club equips new broadcast center with IHSE Draco tera KVM switch

IHSE completes installation of KVM switching system to support race and sports event broadcasting at Singapore's premier sporting location.



Oberteuringen, June 1st 2016 – The new broadcast center for the Sha Tin racecourse has recently been equipped with an IHSE Draco tera KVM matrix switch system. The extensive installation is capable of connecting all broadcast and data servers and presentation computers located in the first-floor central equipment room, to workstations, edit suites and control desks in the broadcast studios and other areas throughout the building.

IHSE's Draco tera switch delivers latency- and artefact-free video and audio, enabling the center to keep punters and enthusiasts abreast of racing events and deliver live feeds to broadcast transmission networks in the region. A 160-port Draco tera switch provides access from the studios and other locations to the central equipment room over single mode fiber laid throughout the building. XV (eXtreme Velocity) KVM extender units were selected, to provide the best possible image quality and futureproofing.

The integral redundant capability and back-up of the Darco tera KVM switch, combined with its hot-swap component ability provides complete confidence that equipment can be maintained and replaced without disruption to live broadcasts: an essential feature for live horse racing broadcast services.

“The Draco tera switch delivers instant connection to computers and a good operator experience, with no latency in signal transmission,” said Patrick Wong, Engineer of Hong Kong Jockey Club. “This is a prerequisite for live events which cannot tolerate delays of any kind. From the engineering viewpoint, features like dual fiber ports, redundant power supply and SNMP capability offer flexible and effective ways to create systems with total reliability and zero downtime that can send system alerts when necessary.”

Hong Kong Jockey Club's engineering team completed the system integration of the full system themselves, with support from local solution provider JPT Global Solutions Ltd.

IHSE's KVM switching and extension products are available for demonstration at Broadcast Asia in Singapore, 31 May - 3 June, 2016. Stand no. 5G5-02.

About The Hong Kong Jockey Club

Founded in 1884, The Hong Kong Jockey Club is a world-class horse racing operator and Hong Kong's largest community benefactor, as well as one of Asia's most prestigious membership clubs. Operating as a not-for-profit organization, the Club allocates its surplus funds for charitable and community projects. In 2014/15, its donations reached a record HK\$3.87 billion, and in the last decade alone it supported over 1,300 projects.

The Club is also Hong Kong's largest single taxpayer, contributing a record HK\$20.05 billion in 2014/15. With about 70% of its revenue given back to society every year through donations and tax contributions, The Hong Kong Jockey Club delivers a significantly higher return to the community than any other racing and/or sports betting organization in the world. As a socially responsible organization, the Club helps Government combat illegal betting and advocates responsible gambling. The Club is also one of Hong Kong's largest employers with over 24,000 full-time and part-time staff. Committed to global excellence and giving back to society, the Club is always "riding high together for a better future" with the people of Hong Kong.

About IHSE

IHSE is a leading developer and manufacturer of advanced Keyboard, Video, Mouse (KVM) devices with 30 years of experience. KVM technology enables the remote switching, bidirectional extension and conversion of primary computer signals including DVI, HDMI, 4K DisplayPort, audio and USB. IHSE develops and manufactures an extensive range of KVM switches and extenders with visually lossless signal transmission from headquarters near Lake Constance, Germany.

IHSE products have been certified for outstanding manufacturing quality, operability, resilience and high transfer speeds. Many renowned companies and institutions across vertical sectors including Broadcast, Post Production, Control Rooms, Banking, Industrial, Healthcare, Maritime, Education, Venues, Air Traffic Control and Government rely on KVM solutions made by IHSE, Germany. For further information, please refer to ihse.com.

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