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## HUBER+SUHNER opens new POLATIS® optical circuit switch production site to support Al data centers

Today, HUBER+SUHNER opened its new advanced manufacturing site in Pisary, Poland, dedicated to the large-scale production of POLATIS® optical circuit switches (OCS) for Al and hyperscale data centers. Production capacity is planned to increase at least fivefold over the next two years.

Reflecting the huge surge in demand for OCS solutions, the new manufacturing site will enable HUBER+SUHNER to capitalise on the growing opportunities and volume potential presented by the thriving AI data center market. Increasing the speed of manufacturing of the POLATIS® OCS portfolio will ensure hyperscale operators have the leading-edge technology required to enhance performance and energy efficiency of data center architectures and AI compute clusters.

"The opening of our new Pisary facility is a major milestone that aligns with our commitment to innovation and operational excellence in optical networking," says Jürgen Walter, Chief Operating Officer Communication segment at HUBER+SUHNER. "Our POLATIS® OCS solutions deliver transparent, software-defined dynamic optical connectivity within energy-efficient hyperscale data centers to meet the low loss and latency demands of high-performance AI workloads."

Rising demand for OCS solutions stems from the rapid growth of hyperscale data center infrastructure across the globe, driven by cloud computing and the increased use of Al.

Al workloads are hosted on clusters of thousands of graphical processor units (GPUs) interconnected by optical fibers carrying data at hundreds of gigabits per second. An OCS enables on-demand reconfiguration of optical-layer connectivity and can route large volumes of high-speed traffic with minimal latency – essential for Al hyperscale operations.

By maintaining data in the optical domain and eliminating the need for optical-electrical-optical conversions, POLATIS® OCS solutions significantly reduce power consumption and operating expenditure for hyperscale data centers. This enables new data center architectures and allows Al workloads to run more efficiently and at lower cost.

With approximately 3'000 m<sup>2</sup>, the Pisary site will complement the existing Krzeszowice facility nearby, which is currently being operated at its full capacity.

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"The Pisary site will enhance our supply of OCS solutions while reflecting our mission for sustainable operations," says Robert Smith, Managing Director, POLATIS at HUBER+SUHNER. "The facilities include a photovoltaic installation with a capacity of 150 kilowatt peak (kWp), a mechanical ventilation with heat recovery, and a biological waste treatment plant. A new building management system has also been implemented to support a low carbon footprint."

More information on the <u>new Pisary production site</u> and about <u>POLATIS® optical circuit switching</u> is available on the HUBER+SUHNER website.

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