

Press release

## NRB and Computerland join forces

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**Computerland and NRB, both Belgian ICT service providers, have decided to join forces. The objective: to expand their service offering to better meet the needs of their customers and the imperatives of digital transformation. The need for this transformation has undoubtedly been accelerated by the coronavirus crisis and will be a key element in the post-crisis economic recovery. The two companies want to jointly create a Belgian ICT group at the service of public organisations and private companies, that has the critical mass and expertise to withstand international competition.**

Computerland is an ICT service provider, headquartered in Alleur in the Liège region, with offices in Gosselies and in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. The company realises a turnover of 31 million euros and employs more than 200 people. Computerland mainly targets the medium-sized business sector in Belgium and Luxembourg, to which it provides integrated solutions from Microsoft.

"The decision to move closer to NRB comes as no surprise. NRB was already one of our three largest customers. We are used to working together, whether on an ad hoc basis to supplement the staffing of specific projects, or in consortia to jointly work on large contracts. Joining the NRB Group creates great opportunities for Computerland and its collaborators", explains Quentin Poncelet, CEO of Computerland.

Pascal Laffineur, CEO of the NRB Group, clarifies the broader strategy behind this decision: "Digital transformation is a strategic issue for the competitiveness of our country's businesses, for the efficiency of our public services and for the performance of our healthcare and social services. However, the accelerated completion of this digitisation requires a range of skills and an ecosystem of partners that, apart from NRB, only the major international players in the information technology sector can offer. We want to offer our customers from the private and the public sector a "made in Belgium" alternative. Today, we are taking an important step by joining forces with an existing recognized player to complete our service offering and to extend our services to all market segments, including medium-sized companies that are a key driver of the Belgian economy".

NRB becomes the majority shareholder of Computerland. Computerland will remain a separate legal entity within the NRB Group. There will be no change in the company's management either, since Quentin Poncelet will retain his responsibilities as CEO. The company's organisation, location and mission remain unchanged.

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Note to the editor: high-resolution photos of Pascal Laffineur and Quentin Poncelet can be downloaded via this link.

### **About the NRB Group :**

With a consolidated turnover of 351 million euros in 2019 and more than 2,200 employees, the NRB Group is now positioned in the top 3 of the ICT sector in Belgium.

NRB's mission is to provide optimal, end-to-end IT solutions and services in a close, long-term partnership with its public and private sector clients, to simplify technological, economic and societal transformation.

In this context, NRB offers a wide range of IT services that are structured around four main areas: consultancy, software, infrastructure & cloud, and managed staffing.

NRB addresses the main sectors of our country - the public and social sector, energy and utilities, the financial sector and industry - and has a team that is dedicated to the European and international institutions and companies.

The NRB Group's subsidiaries offer sector-specific solutions while benefiting from the Group's size, ICT infrastructure or other support. Xperthis provides specialised IT solutions to the healthcare sector. Cevi, Logins and Civadis offer ICT products and services dedicated to the local public sector.

More information is available on the internet: [www.nrb.be](http://www.nrb.be).

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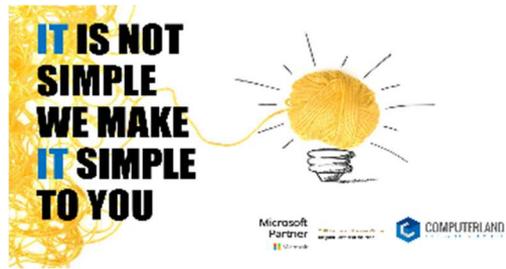
### **About Computerland**

COMPUTERLAND today represents a turnover of more than 31 million euros and a team of more than 200 certified collaborators.

COMPUTERLAND is a "one-stop-shop" IT service provider offering a wide range of services, mainly for medium-sized companies located in Belgium and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.

COMPUTERLAND's mission is to simplify its clients' IT by accompanying them in their digital transformation. COMPUTERLAND's services are organised around 4 axes: Business Applications, Cloud & Infra, Modern Workplace, Data & AI, accompanied by support and governance services according to the needs of each customer. Internationally recognized partners such as Microsoft, HP, ... guarantee the latest technologies and the durability of the solutions implemented.

More information on [www.computerland.be](http://www.computerland.be)



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