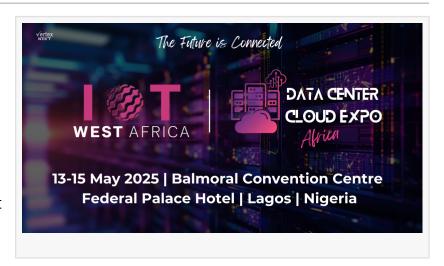


# IOT West Africa: Africa's Longest-Running Event Driving Digital Innovation with Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa

IOT West Africa | Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa: The Future is Connected

LAGOS, NIGERIA, October 8, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The previous edition of <u>Data Center & Cloud Expo</u> <u>Africa</u>, powered by the <u>IOT West Africa</u> <u>Conference and Exhibition</u>, hosted by <u>Vertex Next</u>, brought together the most influential players from Africa's thriving data center and cloud ecosystem.



Standout Participants: Africa Data Centres, Open Access Data Centres, Raxio Data Centre, Rack Centre, Sudlows Consulting Africa, CONCIEL, Altron Modular, C&D Technologies, Bryan & Beckley, and the National Data Protection Commission (NDPC). Co-located with the IOT West Africa Conference & Exhibition and Power & Water Nigeria Exhibition & Conference, the event highlighted groundbreaking developments in Africa's Digital Infrastructure.

## Event Highlights:

Spotlight on Africa's Digital Future:

The 2024 edition spotlighted the future of Africa's data centers, with discussions on critical topics like Advancing Data Center Infrastructure, Power & Connectivity, Data Centers & 5G, Agenda 2030 for African Data Centers, Cybersecurity, Co-location Strategies, and Edge Computing. Expert speakers shared visionary insights on the evolving landscape of data centers in Africa, addressing challenges while highlighting the abundant opportunities.

# Exclusive Workshop & Networking Dinner:

A highly anticipated workshop and networking dinner hosted by the event's Strategic Partner, Africa Data Centre Association (ADCA) & sponsored by Sterling & Wilson provided a unique platform for industry experts and key delegates to exchange ideas, form partnerships, and explore new business opportunities.

Testimonials:

- Dr. Ayotunde Coker, CEO, Open Access Data Centres:

"Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa sparked vital conversations on the role of data centers in Africa's digital transformation. Our goal to expand world-class facilities across Africa is strengthened by the insights shared here."

- Paul-François Cattier, Managing Director, Africa Data Centre Association:

"This event is a driving force behind Africa's digital evolution. The knowledge exchange and showcased technologies are pivotal to building a robust digital infrastructure across the continent."

### Coming in 2025: The African DigiInfra Excellence Awards

Following the success of the 2024 edition, the 2025 event will introduce the Africa DigiInfra Excellence Awards – a prestigious initiative honoring the most impactful contributions to Africa's digital infrastructure. The awards ceremony will take place during the Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa, co-located with the IOT West Africa Conference & Exhibition.

#### The Awards Will:

- Celebrate individuals, organizations, and projects revolutionizing Africa's digital infrastructure.
- Highlight innovative solutions, best practices, and success stories in data centers, cloud computing, and beyond.
- Champion the growth of the continent's digital infrastructure ecosystem.
- Motivate continued efforts towards Africa's digital transformation.

## Award Categories Include:

- Innovation and Technology
- Sustainability and Efficiency
- Operations and Management
- Industry Leadership and Contribution
- · Government Initiative

## Looking Ahead: The 2025 Edition

The Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa returns from 13-15 May 2025 in Lagos, Nigeria, promising more groundbreaking discussions, expert insights, and opportunities to connect with Africa's key digital infrastructure stakeholders.

#### **About Vertex Next:**

Vertex Next, based in Dubai, UAE, bridges buyers and sellers across high-growth markets in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia. Through world-class exhibitions and conferences, they provide strategic platforms combining industry expertise with the latest technology solutions, driving growth in technology, energy, and infrastructure sectors globally.

Data Center & Cloud Expo Africa continues to lead the charge in advancing Africa's digital landscape, with the 2025 edition set to raise the bar even higher!

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