

Polar Data Centers and Vertiv win 'Most Successfully Delivered Data Centre' award.

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LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, March 17, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Polar Data Centers](#) (Polar) are proud to announce that their collaboration with [Vertiv](#) has been recognised at the Data Centre World Awards 2026 in London, where they received the award for "Most Successfully Delivered Data Centre."

The award recognizes the successful delivery of [DRA01](#), Polar's 12MW next-generation facility in Norway. Designed as an AI-optimized, modular data centre, DRA01 reflects the shared ambition of both companies to deliver scalable, high-performance digital infrastructure that meets the evolving demands of AI, HPC, and advanced compute workloads.

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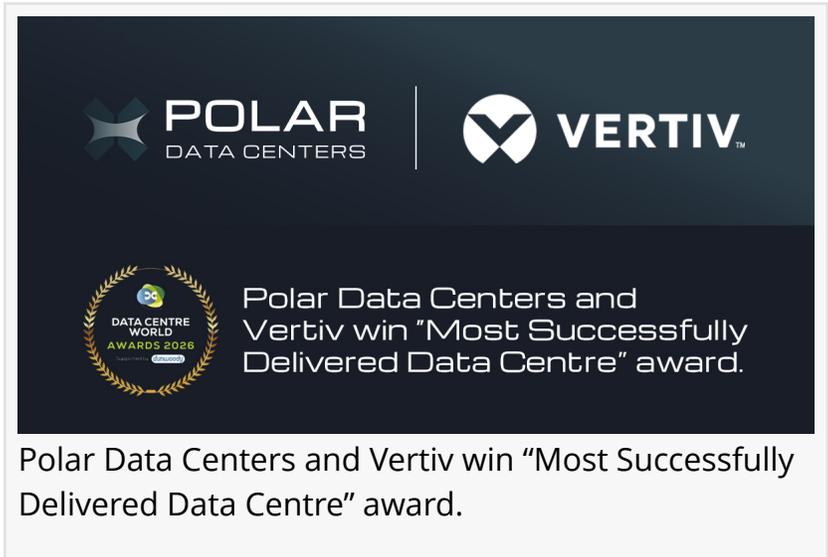
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Located in Norway, DRA01 has been engineered to support the future of accelerated computing, combining modularity, operational efficiency, and suitability for high-density AI deployments. The project represents a major milestone for the company as it continues to expand its platform of AI-ready infrastructure across Europe.

Efficiency and conservation is a major feature of the DRA01 facility. In line with the company's broader approach, it has been designed to combine high-performance AI infrastructure with responsible resource management,

using 100% renewable energy sources, specifically hydroelectric power, while also incorporating heat recovery systems to improve overall efficiency. Together with its modular design and excellent PUE, DRA01 demonstrates how next-generation data centre capacity can be delivered with both operational performance and environmental responsibility at its core.



The DRA01 site is now ready for handover and Polar's focus now shifts to ensuring operational stability and supporting their end user with the implementation of their AI infrastructure.

This progress underscores the strength of the Polar and Vertiv partnership and highlights the project team's ability to execute a highly advanced data centre build to an award-winning standard.

"This recognition is a tremendous achievement for everyone involved in DRA01," said Tom Chubb, COO, Polar "The award reflects the dedication, expertise, and close collaboration between Polar and Vertiv in delivering a next-generation data centre designed for the AI era."

"This project demonstrates what can be achieved when innovative design, strong delivery discipline, and a shared vision come together. Through close collaboration with Polar, we were able to leverage Vertiv's energy-efficient, AI-ready technologies to support a scalable, high-performance AI infrastructure. We are proud to see DRA01 recognised on such a prestigious stage." Paul Ryan, president for Europe, Middle East and Africa at Vertiv.

As demand for AI-ready infrastructure continues to accelerate, the success of DRA01 reinforces Polar's strategy to deliver agile, modular, and innovative data centre capacity for customers building the next wave of digital and AI services.

DRA01 marks the beginning of Polar Data Centres' ambitious vision to develop a new generation of sustainable, AI-ready data centres across Europe. With demand for high-performance digital infrastructure continuing to accelerate, the project sets the standard for scalable, efficient, and innovative facilities. These are designed to support AI, HPC, and advanced compute workloads, while keeping sustainability at the heart of every development.

About Polar Data Centres

Polar develops and operates sustainable, high-performance data centers optimized for AI and high-density computing workloads. The company specializes in creating energy-efficient facilities powered by renewable sources, serving the growing demands of AI and technology companies across Europe.



Tom Chubb, COO, Polar Data Centres and Paul Ryan, President EMEA, Vertiv

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