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CenturyLink named a Leader in Gartner Magic Quadrant for Managed Hybrid Cloud Hosting, Europe for fifth consecutive year

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LONDON, July 13, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- **CenturyLink, Inc.** (NYSE: CTL) today announced it has once again been positioned as a leader in Gartner's Magic Quadrant for Managed Hybrid Cloud Hosting, Europe. This marks the fifth consecutive year Gartner has named CenturyLink a leader in this report.

The report evaluated managed hybrid cloud hosting solutions from CenturyLink and recognised it as a leading provider based on its "ability to execute" and "completeness of vision."

"We believe this recognition is endorsement of our ongoing ability to deliver an innovative and complete portfolio of technology services and solutions across multiple cloud platforms," said Richard Warley, managing director for EMEA at CenturyLink. "Global organisations rely on CenturyLink to connect them to the power of the digital world to achieve their digital transformation goals and for greater business agility and competitive differentiation."

According to Gartner, "Leaders have proved they have staying power in this market, can frequently innovate on their existing products and can be relied on for enterprise-class needs. They have proved their technical competence and ability to deliver services to a wide range of customers. They address multiple use cases with stand-alone or integrated solutions. They also have a presence in multiple European locations to offer solutions around data sovereignty requirements."

CenturyLink provides solutions that combine a comprehensive portfolio of network and IT services with industry best practices to help organisations in their digital transformation. The company's consultative approach helps customers determine and implement the best execution venue for key applications so they can optimize the productivity of their strategic digital initiatives. CenturyLink offers expertise in multi-cloud management, hosted SAP

solutions, data analytics, cybersecurity services, and IT consulting.

CenturyLink recently launched **CenturyLink Cloud Application Manager**, a cloud-agnostic management platform that enables companies to better manage workloads across any cloud or infrastructure. The Cloud Application Manager service enables multi-cloud lifecycle collaboration between development, operations and finance, enabling teamwork between the organisations most crucial to digital transformation.

For additional information on the Magic Quadrant for Managed Hybrid Cloud Hosting, Europe, read the full **Gartner report**.

Gartner, "Magic Quadrant for Managed Hybrid Cloud Hosting, Europe," was published on 28 June, 2017 by Tiny Haynes, Gianluca Tramacere, Gregor Petri and Ross Winsler.*

About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is a global communications and IT services company focused on connecting its customers to the power of the digital world. CenturyLink offers network and data systems management, big data analytics, managed security services, hosting, cloud, and IT consulting services. The company provides broadband, voice, video, advanced data and managed network services over a robust 265,000-route-mile U.S. fiber network and a 360,000-route-mile international transport network. Visit **CenturyLink** for more information.

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