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"Asia-Pacific is one the most important regions for DHL Supply Chain being accountable for a significant share of our revenues in 2016. Consumer, retail and tech industries drive these developments becoming evident in increased amounts of new and extended contracts. Being already the market leader for the region it is fully natural for us to foster our commitment in the region and remaining a reliable partner," comments [John Gilbert](#), CEO DHL Supply Chain.

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DHL's investment will also serve the wider needs of a growing Thailand, and an economy which is expected to return to accelerated growth. Government investment in mega

projects i.e. infrastructure, EEC, airport expansion plans and so forth are attractive elements for foreign investors in Thailand. According to Kasikorn Bank research, Thailand Transport and warehouse market value in 2017 growth is expected to be around five to seven percent. Kevin Burrell, CEO, Thailand Cluster, DHL Supply Chain Thailand explains, "With the technology and innovation that we invest in warehouse and transport operations in Thailand, coupled with our ability to deliver integrated solutions for customers, we are striving to drive enhanced value, which in turn acts as a strong differentiator for us in the market."

DHL Supply Chain Thailand also recently completed a move to new premises located in Bangkok's business area. The company already benefits from a reputation of being the Number 1 in contract logistics in Thailand and DHL's nationwide network comprises of a combined warehouse space of approximately 650,000 sqm across more than 70 facilities, supported by 10,000 dedicated employees. Working as a beneficial extension to its crucially important human talent, DHL has also employed intelligent systems in both warehouse and transport operations such as in automation and robotics, unmanned vehicles, vision picking, transport control tower and telematics.

Kevin adds, "DHL provides sector-specific services across the entire supply chain, encompassing warehousing management, transportation for various business types,

expertise in end-to-end supply chain solutions and full management services. DHL Supply Chain provides globally standardized, cost-efficient, high-quality and innovative solutions. We are committed to supporting customers by delivering exceptional operational services and innovation across Thailand's entire supply chain, helping the

country to become the premier logistics center for Southeast Asia. We will continue to consolidate and support markets in which we lead, namely Thailand and Vietnam, and invest in markets where we aim to lead such as Myanmar and Cambodia."

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