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ROLTA WINS SMART CITY AND 3D MAPPING PROJECTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Rolta has been awarded **Smart City** and **3D Mapping** with **City Modelling** projects in the **Middle East**, for a combined value around \$15 million USD. This recognizes Rolta's unique ability to combine its domain expertise with productized Smart City solutions that fundamentally change how agencies and governments fulfill their missions. This is a natural evolution and extension of Rolta's pioneering 3D Mapping, which lays a foundation for sophisticated Smart City applications. Rolta's innovative Smart City

solutions consolidate numerous agency centric systems, while 3D mapping offers visually rich means of collaboration and communication of spatial data. These wins follow on the heels of numerous other success stories in the region and globally, often garnering recognition and awards from prestigious customers and leading Industry bodies. With a strong footing in the Middle East, Rolta continues to reinforce its commitment to serve the needs of the region's progressive clientele. www.rolta.com

CONSERVE BIODIVERSITY WITH GIS - KAOHSIUNG CITY BIODIVERSITY DATABASE

As environment becomes the top issue in every country, governments and scientists are eager to find the balance between development and environment protection. GIS as the key solution, offers various possibilities to observe and manage natural resources. **Kaohsiung City Government, Taiwan** authorized the **Supergeo** team to build **Kaohsiung City Biodiversity Database**, including species information monitoring the distribution of animals enhancing the conservation of biodiversity. Kaohsiung City Biodiversity Database successfully reveals the geographical distribution in a convenient way for educational facilities and the public and also for the government. The



distribution condition of species revealed on the map helps users to further comprehension about ecological conservation. Powered by the **Supergeo** team, the database brings convenient geospatial technology to the public and allows GIS applications for sustainable uses. www.supergeotek.com

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CGG DONATES GEOPHYSICAL SOFTWARE TO INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CGG GeoSoftware has donated its Hampson-Russell and Jason geophysical software suites, covering all aspects of reservoir characterization, to the **Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar** (IIT BBS). Students of Earth Sciences at IIT BBS are using the donated software suites, worth over \$5 million, to conduct research into quantitative reservoir characterization based on case studies and real-world scenarios. The aim of their research is to investigate inversion methods that provide better estimations of hydrocarbons in specific targeted zones using seismic data. **Abhishek Rai, Ph.D., Assistant Professor for the School of Earth, Ocean and Climate Sciences, IIT BBS**, said, "The GeoSoftware suite is one of the best available tools for reservoir characterization. We gratefully acknowledge this donation by CGG for training our students and conducting research at the Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar. Our students immensely benefit by learning and developing quantitative aptitudes in reservoir characterization techniques." www.cgg.com

U-BLOX OPENS OFFICE IN OSAKA, JAPAN

u-blox, a global leader in wireless and positioning modules and chips, announces the opening of a u-blox office in **Osaka, Japan**. "Since the foundation of u-blox Japan eight years ago, we have supported the southern-central region including Osaka from Tokyo. With the continued expansion of the business in the Kansai region, we want to move closer to our customers", said **Tesshu Naka, Country Manager of u-blox Japan**. The new office further strengthens the position of u-blox in Japan and allows high-level support to automotive and industrial industries. The new u-blox office is located at 31F, Twin21 MID Tower, 2-1-61 Shiromi Chuo-ku Osaka-shi, Osaka 540-6131. Japan. www.u-blox.com