

# Datacentrix wins M&G study recognition

Datacentrix has been named as South Africa's most empowered company within the ICT services sector in two categories, by the *Mail & Guardian's* "Most empowered companies" study.



The survey, conducted by ratings and research agency, Empowerdex, rated all JSE-listed companies, assessing them on each of the seven elements of black economic empowerment. In addition to taking the top rating within ICT, Datacentrix - a provider of high-performing and secure ICT solutions - reached the number one spot in the socio-economic development and management control categories, and ranked as the 14th most empowered listed company overall.

Datacentrix' CEO, Ahmed Mahomed, said: "We are a South Africa-based company that is committed to giving back to the communities around us. Our input into developing skills and helping to transform people's lives stems from our desire to make a difference.

"We have sharpened our focus on education as a means to combat unemployment and to overcome the local ICT skills shortage. Our learnership and education programmes, as well as participation in charitable events, are our way of showing that we care," he explained.

"Being a socially-aware company, Datacentrix' enhanced corporate social responsibility efforts and continued investment in the upskilling of individuals confirms the success of our dedication to sustainable development.

"The recognition that Datacentrix received through the Empowerdex survey verifies the progress we have made towards becoming a responsible corporate citizen," Mahomed concluded.

Datacentrix is a Level two (AAA) B-BBEE Contributor, with 125% procurement recognition. In 2012, the company became one of only two JSE-listed IT companies to reach this position.

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