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#### **PRESS RELEASE**

## New corporate structure opens global center in North of Denmark for technology and innovative business models

After four years at Aarhus University, the international research and innovation center CTIF Global Capsule is being launched as a business and later as a foundation with address at Skagen Education Center – SUC.

CTIF Global Capsule is a unique network collaboration between 18 different universities and several industries all over the world, where the main focus is to build bridges advanced technology with sustainable business models.

"There are no similar research collaborations in the world with such a strong focus on combining advanced technology and sustainable business models. We can solve many of today's and tomorrow's technological, business and social challenges. if we are able to create solutions in interdisciplinary and international collaborations," explains Vice President at CTIF Global Capsule, Peter Lindgren, who is also professor at Aarhus University

CTIF Global Capsule network partners have long wanted to the head office to be "a neutral location" – independent and outside universities, explains Peter Lindgren. The new action and the establishment hereby fulfil a great wish:

"This is a natural next step for CTIF Global Capsule. An independent CTIF Global Capsule created across strong network partners is the way forward for future collaborations between universities and the international business community. We can do much more together than separately. We will become independent of national and local policies – we will work globally and with our focus on creating global technical and commercial solutions to major global challenges – in interdisciplinary collaboration."

Peter Lindgren states that CTIF Global Capsule will, especially in the coming period, focus on the difficult challenge of optimizing technology and business in a "circular Triple Bottom Line" perspective. This means that the network partners work with three bottom lines — environmental, economical and social, and in a circular perspective.

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Center for Teleinfrastructure (CTIF) was founded in 2004 at Aalborg University as an interdisciplinary research and industry partnership between various international universities initiated by President Ramjee Prasad, emeritus professor from Aarhus University.

2007: The subject area 'business model innovation' is added to CTIF via Vice President Peter Lindgren's former research center – International Center for Innovation (ICI) at Aalborg University. Received support from Region Nordjyllands Erhvervsforum with DKK 5.1 million Euro.

2014: The first headquarters of CTIF Global Capsules opens in Rome at Villa Mondragone at the University of Tor Vergata, Italy, with global networking as its objective.

2017: CTIF Global Capsule – Aarhus University's division opens.

2019: The head office of CTIF Global Capsules opens at Aarhus University.

October 2023: The new corporate structure opens in Skagen Education Center (SUC), North of Denmark.

18 countries are provisionally members of CTIF Global Capsule - Asia, Americas, Africa, Europe and soon Oceania.

LINK: https://ctifglobalcapsule.org/

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### Photos (see also enclosed):

**Left:** President and Professor Emeritus Ramjee Prasad (Aarhus University). **Middle:** CTIF Global Capsule Logo. **Right:** Vice President and Professor (Aarhus University) Peter Lindgren

