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APAC DATA CENTRE WEEKLY

Firmus is simultaneously chasing a Nasdaq listing to fund a \$44b Australian IPO and anchoring Meta and OpenAI across APAC with a US\$300M SUBCO subsea investment - a sign hyperscale capital and cable infrastructure are now inseparable bets.



APAC

Firmus Technologies is weighing a Nasdaq listing to help fund its \$44b Australian IPO ambitions (Financial Review, 2026-10-04), while Meta and OpenAI anchor its APAC AI infrastructure via a US\$300M SUBCO subsea investment (Submarine Networks, 2026-09-30). Midea and LG both unveiled new AIDC cooling tech at DCWA 2026 (DataCenterNews Asia Pacific, 2026-09-30).



Firmus spruiks future Nasdaq listing; prepares for \$44b Australian IPO

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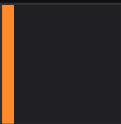
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SINGAPORE / SEA

Globe Telecom plans to invest at least US\$1 billion in 2027 in AI and data centers, per CEO Carl Raymond Cruz (w.media, 2026-10-01). SGI is building a 6,870km, 25 Tbps subsea cable across Indonesia (Telecom Review Asia, 2026-10-02), and Singtel launched AI Token-as-a-Service for Singapore enterprises (Telecom Review Asia, 2026-10-01).



Yokogawa joins Singapore AI data centre testbed consortium

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SGI Plans 6,870-km Subsea Backbone Across Indonesia

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NORTH ASIA

Japan's TEPCO is moving to curb "capacity squatters" amid the AI data centre boom (Nikkei Asia, 2026-10-02), while the country's largest power producer teamed with Dell on a \$15bn data center (Nikkei Asia, 2026-10-01).



Japan's TEPCO to counter 'capacity squatters' in AI data center boom

Nikkei Asia



Japan's largest power producer teams with Dell on \$15bn data center

Nikkei Asia



AUSTRALIA & PACIFIC

Microsoft secured NSW approval for a AU\$1.263bn, 96MW data centre in Sydney's Huntingwood (w.media, 2026-10-02), as east coast jobs surge amid Australia's AUD\$150bn data centre build-out (DataCenterNews Asia Pacific, 2026-10-02). CDC also unveiled a gigawatt-scale campus plan for Wagga Wagga (Data Center Dynamics, 2026-09-30).



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INDIA

FLAG added MIST and I-2SEA submarine cable capacity to broaden routing into Mumbai, pairing capacity agreements with terrestrial infrastructure investment (SubTel Forum, 2026-09-30).



FLAG Adds MIST and I-2SEA Capacity for Mumbai

SubTel Forum



As hyperscalers lock in subsea capacity alongside equity commitments, APAC's data centre race is becoming as much about who owns the pipes as who owns the GPUs.

With Firmus eyeing a Nasdaq listing to fund an Australian build-out, will APAC's next wave of data centre capital come from local IPOs or US listings?