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Revolution Analytics to help Singapore become a big data and analytics hub

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Revolution Analytics has recently announced its partnership with the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) as part of its efforts to help Singapore become a big data and analytics hub.

The first collaboration involved the launch of a Business Analytics Centre of Excellence (CoE) to develop the republic's big data and analytics capabilities. Through the CoE programme, Revolution Analytics will offer its expertise as well as data scientists and solution developers to help accelerate data analytics innovations among local companies.

For the second collaboration, IDA worked with Revolution Analytics for its Centre of Attachment (CoA) programme in response to the increasing demand for data scientists in the region. The CoA programme is a three-month course that equips trainees — be it fresh graduates or those experienced in IT — with the necessary knowledge on analytics, statistics and big data infrastructure. During the course, trainees will also work alongside experienced data scientists and big data experts on actual scenarios requiring big data.

Dave Rich, CEO of Revolution Analytics, said: "In the 18 months since we have established our presence in the region, we have seen great interest in the big data analytics solutions we offer. We are delighted to collaborate with IDA to grow a talent pool of data scientists and big data capabilities in Singapore through our CoE and CoA."

To further ensure that the next generation of data scientists has up-to-date skills, the National University of Singapore's Institute of System Science (NUS-ISS) will include the use of the latest tools in its short courses and Masters programme. Dr. Leong Mun Kew, deputy director of NUS-ISS, said that Revolution Analytics' CloudR was used in a recent one-week Statistics Bootcamp course. It will also be used in the

school's new Masters programme in Enterprise Business Analytics which will be launched in January 2014.