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## TE Connectivity and NAPTIN Team Up to Provide Technical Training for Nigeria's Power Sector

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TE Connectivity (TE), a global leader in connectivity, announces today a strategic partnership with the National Power Training Institute of Nigeria (NAPTIN) with a goal to provide critical expertise and workforce training essential for the country's power sector.



Nigeria's power sector has experienced setbacks due to inadequate infrastructure and poor energy efficiency. TE, which is a global leader in providing reliable and cost-effective products and solutions for the electrical power industry, is now partnering with NAPTIN to develop solutions to the challenges facing the sector, through the training and development of local talent. TE experts will work with NAPTIN's trainers and provide technical training on the connectivity required to enable power systems. The training will be based on TE's high-quality products and solutions including the industry-leading Raychem product line. Once complete, NAPTIN will organize training sessions at its facilities for local installers.

Ronnie Fotheringham, head of the TE Energy Project in Nigeria stated, "As the government of Nigeria invests in upgrading and expanding the power network, the country also needs to invest in its people – developing the skills and expertise required to develop and maintain that network."

He added, "The partnership with NAPTIN is a significant step in that direction. It furthers the mission by bringing the proven solutions, technical know-how and broad application experience to NAPTIN and those being trained. We view this partnership as beneficial to the Nigerian power vision and to TE, building deeper connections throughout the country."



Reuben Okeke, Engr., Director General, NAPTIN, said, "The power sector needs skilled technicians, and this partnership with TE is meant to help achieve sufficiency in power supply, which is one of the steps taken to encourage industrialization and as well improve the economy. This is very important at this time, as the sector needs to develop its talent base to enable the operating and maintenance of the electricity supply in Nigeria."

NAPTIN was established on March 23, 2009, to serve as an institute to train power sector personnel in Nigeria and other countries in the West African region. The NAPTIN institute continues to provide training for power sector personnel and coordinate training activities in the sector, with eight regional training centers across Nigeria, and its headquarters in Abuja. Today, 85 instructors are working for NAPTIN and more than 9,500 power sector personnel have been trained.

## ABOUT TE CONNECTIVITY

TE Connectivity (NYSE: TEL) is a \$12 billion global technology leader. Our connectivity and sensor solutions are essential in today's increasingly connected world. We collaborate with engineers to transform their concepts into creations – redefining what's possible using intelligent, efficient and high-performing TE products and solutions proven in harsh environments. Our 75,000 people, including 7,300 design engineers, partner with customers in close to 150 countries across a wide range of industries. We believe EVERY CONNECTION COUNTS – <u>www.TE.com</u>.

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