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### Digi-Key Electronics selects Option's SafeDistance Solution

Leuven, Belgium – April , 2021 – 7h30 - Crescent (EURONEXT: OPTI) announced that Digi-Key, the world's largest electronic component distributor, selected Option's GDPR compliant SafeDistance solution, which leverages the LoRaWAN® standard, for all employees in their product distribution center (PDC) with more than 2,500 active employee badges online in the first two weeks of the safe distance solution deployment.

The project was rolled out together with Option's USA partner, GetWireless.



As the COVID-19 pandemic continues worldwide, with unexpected spikes and surges in different regions at different times, Option's SafeDistance solution enables to significantly cut down on the number of employees quarantining due to a potential COVID-19 exposure by accurately performing contact tracing procedures avoiding a complete operational shut-down by not knowing who might be affected.

LoRaWAN is the industry standard low-power, long-distance IoT communication protocol. The SafeDistance solution works by having a badge issued to each employee. The badges interact wirelessly with one another and then use LoRaWAN to reliably and securely feed the critical interaction data to a cloud platform which stores proximity interactions and supplies contact tracing information, all focused on maintaining high levels of on-site workforce continuity and provide privacy-protected, accurate and targeted contact tracing reports.

Digi-Key recognized the strength and flexibility of Option's solution which rests on three pillars - WMW's cloud-based platform with apps and data registrars, Option's CloudGate IoT gateway with superior wireless LoRaWAN performance and the LoRaWAN protocol: delivering robust, secure device to cloud communications in real-world environments; all three are core building blocks for successful digital transformations.

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