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The Apave Group announces the signing of an agreement for the acquisition of GEI, a specialist in inspection, non-destructive testing and calibration in Southeast Asia

Apave, a leading international group with over 150 years of experience in the management of technical, human, environmental and digital risks announced today that it has signed an agreement for the **acquisition of the Singapore-based GEI, a leading player in industrial inspection, non-destructive testing (NDT), and calibration/metrology in Southeast Asia.**

GEI: A Singapore-based TIC sector leader

Founded in 2013 and with over 210 employees, GEI operates primarily in Singapore, where it holds a leading position in the maritime market, as well as a growing presence in Indonesia and India.

GEI serves a diverse client portfolio across four key sectors: process industries, maritime, energy and infrastructure. The company distinguishes itself through a comprehensive service offering that combines inspection, advanced non-destructive testing and technical capabilities (Digital Radiography, PAUT, IRIS) and pre- and post-weld heat treatment solutions, complemented by reputable and accredited calibration laboratories in Singapore, Indonesia and India. It holds numerous important regional accreditations and recognitions such as SAC-SINGLAS, NABL, KAN, BKI and MIGAS, as well as approval from leading international classification bodies, assuring a high level of reliability and safety for its customers.

Strategic move to strengthen Apave's presence in Southeast Asia and bolster its NDT services

This proposed acquisition is fully in line with AMPLIFY 2030, the Apave Group's strategic plan, underlining its ambition to become a global leader in the TIC (Testing, Inspection, Certification) sector by expanding its footprint in priority regions.

The planned acquisition would immediately allow the Apave Group to strengthen its Southeast Asian geographical platform and accelerate its development in this high-growth region, where the Group already has nearly 400 employees across 5 countries. The integration of GEI's expertise in advanced NDT and calibration/metrology will reinforce the Apave Group's ability to identify and control risks and asset life performance and extension across entire industrial value chains. This combination should also foster significant commercial synergies by combining Apave's global reputation and reach with GEI's regional reputation, deep customer relationships and recognized local agility. This would enhance Apave's value proposition to global industrial players by providing comprehensive cutting-edge solutions to ensure the safety, reliability and availability of their assets.

"We are pleased to announce the proposed acquisition of GEI, which would strengthen our presence in Southeast Asia, a dynamic region. Their technical expertise and deep understanding of process, maritime, energy and infrastructure industries align perfectly with our ambition to accelerate our development in these strategic sectors. By joining forces, we would be better positioned to meet the growing needs for the safety and integrity of infrastructure and assets, as well as performance optimisation, which are critical to the success of future projects. I look forward to welcoming the GEI teams to the Group," says Philippe Maillard, Chief Executive Officer of the Apave Group.

“We are delighted at the prospect of joining the Apave Group. I am incredibly proud of all our people and what we have achieved to date. We approach this new chapter with enthusiasm and look forward to the possibility of leveraging Apave’s global network and expertise to drive growth in the region and expand with innovative products and solutions. From the outset, it has been clear that our values, strategy and ambition are closely aligned. We see great potential in this proposed alliance to combine our talents and strengths and continue to deliver excellent service to our clients across Southeast Asia and beyond,” said Ram Kumar, CEO of GEI Group.

The completion of the transaction is subject to customary closing conditions and is expected shortly.

About the Apave Group

Apave is an independent international group with over 150 years of experience specialising in the management of technical, human, environmental and digital risks. The Group reported a turnover of nearly €1.9 billion in 2025 and currently employs 18,500 employees across almost 60 countries. Apave provides a comprehensive range of services, including: inspection, certification, vocational training, tests and measurements, consulting and technical support. Apave supports a diverse client base, ranging from private companies to public authorities. For more information: www.apave.com

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