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Creating a better future through education

## **Acronis participates in school construction project of RNT Rausch GmbH in the Dominican Republic**

**Ettlingen, 16 July 2020. The school construction project in the Dominican Republic initiated by RNT Rausch GmbH receives considerable support. The Acronis Cyber Foundation has been involved in the project since 01 May and collects donations from customers and partners for the new educational institution. Together, the hardware manufacturer and the software provider are further expanding their business relationships for a good cause.**

"The Acronis Cyber Foundation represents the same values that encouraged me to build the school in a village in the Dominican Republic," said Sebastian Noelting, Managing Director of RNT Rausch GmbH. "We are convinced that problems such as poverty and hunger can only be solved sustainably through education. That is why education must be available to everyone all over the world. I'm glad that we have been able to partner with Acronis and are now working together towards this goal".

Especially in times of crisis it becomes clear how important this commitment is: Corona has hit the poor parts of the world population particularly hard. For the school in Los Maranitos, the virus also means a temporary halt to construction. However, the buildings foundation has already been poured and the material for the next important stages has been purchased and is on site, so that when the situation calms down the work can continue. Then about 1,000 people in the region will benefit from the construction of the school - including 150 children and young adults. The improved education will allow a better future, not just for the children but also the teachers, construction workers and many others. All benefitting from the increase in skills and employment in the region.

Acronis is contributing part of the necessary 49,000 Euros for the school construction project. In addition, the Acronis Cyber Foundation and RNT Rausch are now collecting donations for the construction project from their customers and partners. "Our company has been committed to education around the world for many years," says Gaidar Magdanurov, Chief Operating Officer at Acronis. " We firmly believe that only by working together with partners can we make a difference in this world." With this strong support, the school in Los Maranitos, Dominican Republic is expected to open in October.

For further information and ongoing updates on the progress of the project, please visit <https://rnt.de/gb/education/>

### **Background**

*Los Maranitos has about 200 inhabitants, half of whom are children. In order to get to class, they have to walk for 45 minutes through rough terrain. When it rains, the situation gets worse and nobody is able to walk to school. There is also no electricity or running water in the village, and it's not an environment where people have the opportunity to develop their education and future. The new school building will include two classrooms, sanitary facilities for boys and girls, a kitchen, a teachers' room and a learning garden. 15 pupils per class are to be taught in the subjects important to them according to their basic*

*knowledge. These range from 6 to 24 years of age, the spectrum from reading, writing and mathematics to environmental education and the teaching of management skills. In addition, there will be a focus on technology education, which is why learning and teaching materials will also be provided. A total of about 1,000 people benefit from the school construction. Besides the children of Los Maranitos and the region, these are, for example, their relatives, but also residents of the surrounding communities thanks to newly created jobs.*

#### **About RNT Rausch:**

Since 1998 companies, data centres and hosting providers have been relying on RNT Rausch GmbH.

RNT Rausch is headquartered in Germany, developing and distributing custom-fit server and storage solutions for customers around the world - whether classic backup systems, individual software-defined storage or server solutions for streaming and other data-intensive applications. In addition to custom-made systems, the product portfolio also includes future-proof standard solutions. Long-term partnerships with market leaders such as Acronis, Cloudian, AMD, Intel, Seagate and many more ensure access to the latest technologies at all times. Beyond the product business, the experienced team of RNT Rausch offers various services and support. From planning of the IT infrastructure, integration of hardware and cloud migrations to consulting and support, the company reliably supports its customers. More information: [www.rnt.de/gb/](http://www.rnt.de/gb/)

#### **About Acronis**

Acronis unifies data protection and cybersecurity to deliver integrated, automated cyber protection that solves the safety, accessibility, privacy, authenticity, and security (SAPAS) challenges of the modern digital world. With flexible deployment models that fit the demands of service providers and IT professionals, Acronis provides superior cyber protection for data, applications, and systems with innovative next-generation antivirus, backup, disaster recovery, and endpoint protection management solutions. With award-winning AI-based antimalware and blockchain-based data authentication technologies, Acronis protects any environment – from cloud to hybrid to on-premises – at a low and predictable cost.

Founded in Singapore in 2003 and incorporated in Switzerland in 2008, Acronis now has more than 1,500 employees in 33 locations in 18 countries. Its solutions are trusted by more than 5.5 million home users and 500,000 companies, including 100% of the Fortune 1000, and top-tier professional sports teams. Acronis products are available through 50,000 partners and service providers in over 150 countries in more than 40 languages.