



# **Global Locations Annual Report 2015: Resurgence of Activity Amidst Evolving Propositions**

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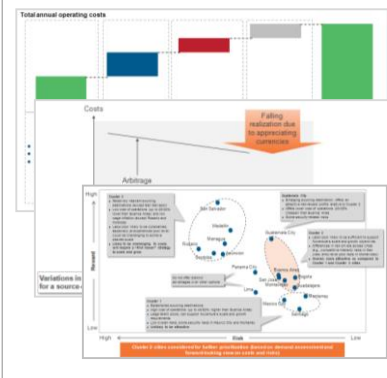
# Our research methodology is based on four pillars of strength to produce actionable and insightful research for the industry

- Market thought leadership
- Actionable and insightful research
- Based on on-the-ground perspectives

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## Robust definitions and frameworks

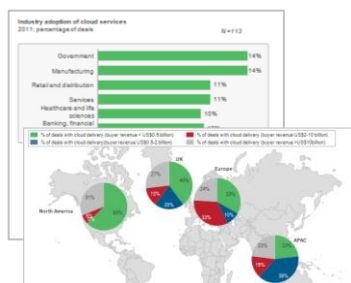
(talent pool scalability and sustainability assessments, cost arbitrage sustainability, risk assessment frameworks)



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## Primary sources of information

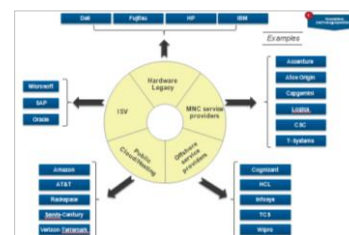
(Ongoing interactions with buyers, GICs/captives/SSCs, service providers, investment promotion agencies, recruiters, etc.)



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## Diverse set of market touchpoints

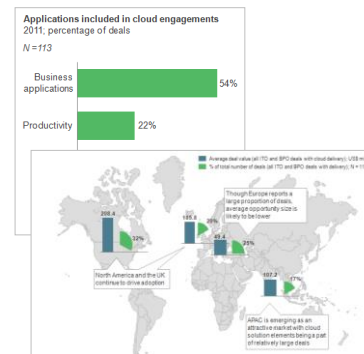
(Ongoing interactions across key stakeholders, input from a mix of perspectives and interests, supports both data analysis and thought leadership)



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## Fact-based research

(Data-driven analysis with expert perspectives, year-round tracking of location and service provider activity, and country briefings)



- Proprietary tracking and databases on operating costs, labor pool, market activity, and risks
- Year-round tracking of 200+ locations around the world
- Coverage across all offshore, nearshore, and onshore locations across regions (APAC, Europe, North America, LATAM, Africa)
- Over 100 global projects on supporting clients on location decisions
- Executive-level relationships with buyers, service providers, technology providers, and industry associations

**Our ability to deliver insight on locations is based on extensive databases and ongoing market research**

## Market activity database

No.	Company name	Parent industry vertical (primary)	Time since inception	IT (ADM and Infra)	BPO	KPO	CC	Engineering, R&D	Comments on services offered	FTE estimates (date variable)
1	3Com	Telecom and hi-tech	<3 yrs					✓	Software development	100
2	ABB	Manufacturing	3-5 yrs					✓	Software development & Banking transaction	500
3	ABN Amro	BFSI	3-5 yrs	✓	✓		✓			2000
4	Adobe	Telecom and hi-tech	>5 yrs					✓	R&D	600
5	Agilent technologies	Telecom and hi-tech	<3 yrs		✓			✓	Application and SOC Chip design,	1000
6	Airwide solutions	Telecom and hi-tech	<3 yrs					✓		100
7	Akzo Nobel Car Finishes	Others	3-5 yrs					✓	develop products and colour	NA
8	Allianz Cornhill	BFSI	3-5 yrs	✓	✓		✓		IT application development and Engineering and design services,	500
9	Alstom	Manufacturing	<3 yrs					✓	Software Development,	1,000
10	Amazon	Telecom and hi-tech	<3 yrs				✓	✓		NA
11	AMD	Telecom and hi-tech	<3 yrs					✓	design	120
12	American Express	BFSI	>5 yrs		✓	✓	✓		F&A back-office HR processing,	3,000
13	AOL	Telecom and hi-tech	3-5 yrs				✓	✓	Contact center , software	1,650

**Industry leading  
databases (100+  
service providers,  
~2,000 GICs / Shared  
service centers, and  
200+ cities)**

## Cost database

City profile: Bangalore - Call centre

## Salary costs (US\$ p.a.)

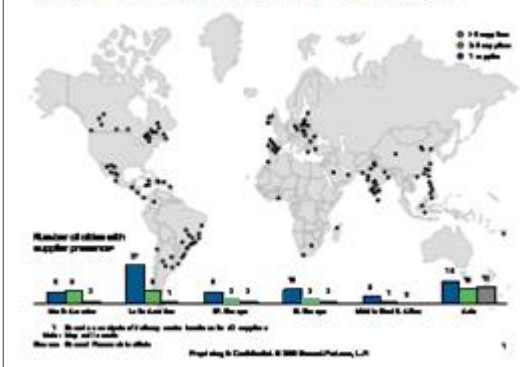
Position	Base salary - call center agent	Reliability
Base salary - call center agent	3,043	Medium
Base salary - call center agent	3,408	Medium
Base salary - call center supervisor	5,180	Medium
Base salary - call center supervisor	5,802	Medium
Base salary - call center manager	21,725	Medium
Base salary - call center manager	24,332	Medium
Base salary - call center COO	73,021	Low
Base salary - call center COO	81,783	Low

## Education

Number of university graduates per 100,000 population	71,335	Reliability: Low
Number of high school graduates per 100,000 population	-	-

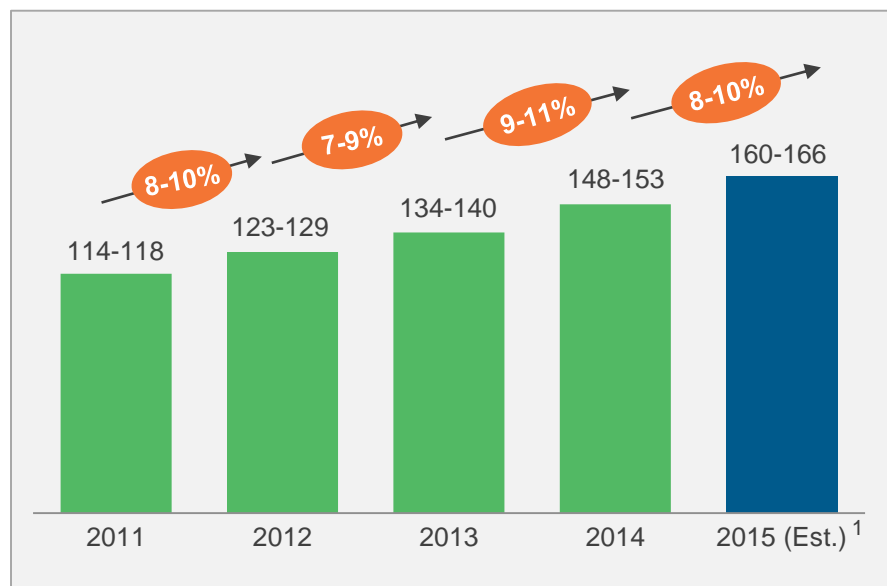
## GIC/SSC database

126+ offices currently host offshore delivery centers

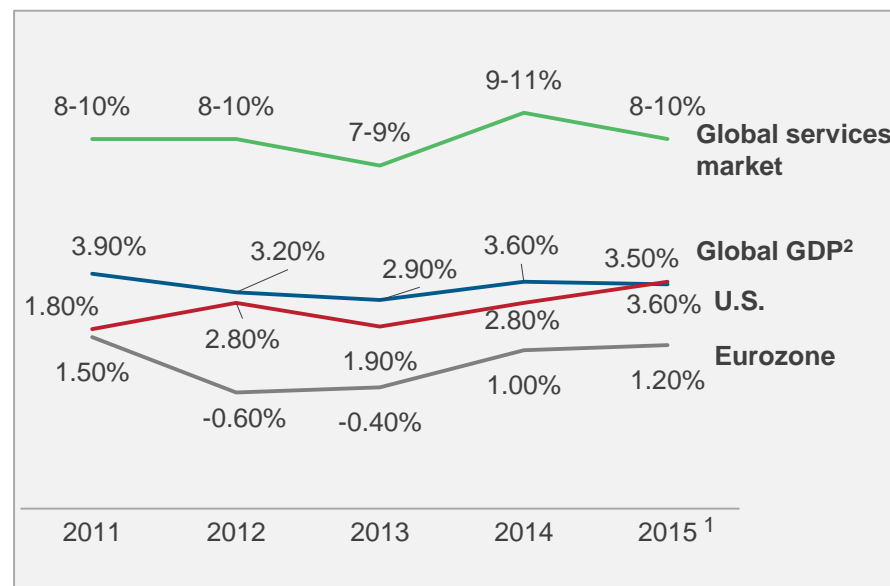


# The global services market is expected to witness a marginally lower growth than in 2014 due to mixed investor sentiment

**Global services revenue and growth**  
2011-2015(E); US\$ billion



**Growth rates of regional/global GDP and global services market**  
2011-2015(E)<sup>1</sup>; Percentage<sup>2</sup> (E)



<sup>1</sup> Estimated figures for the year 2015

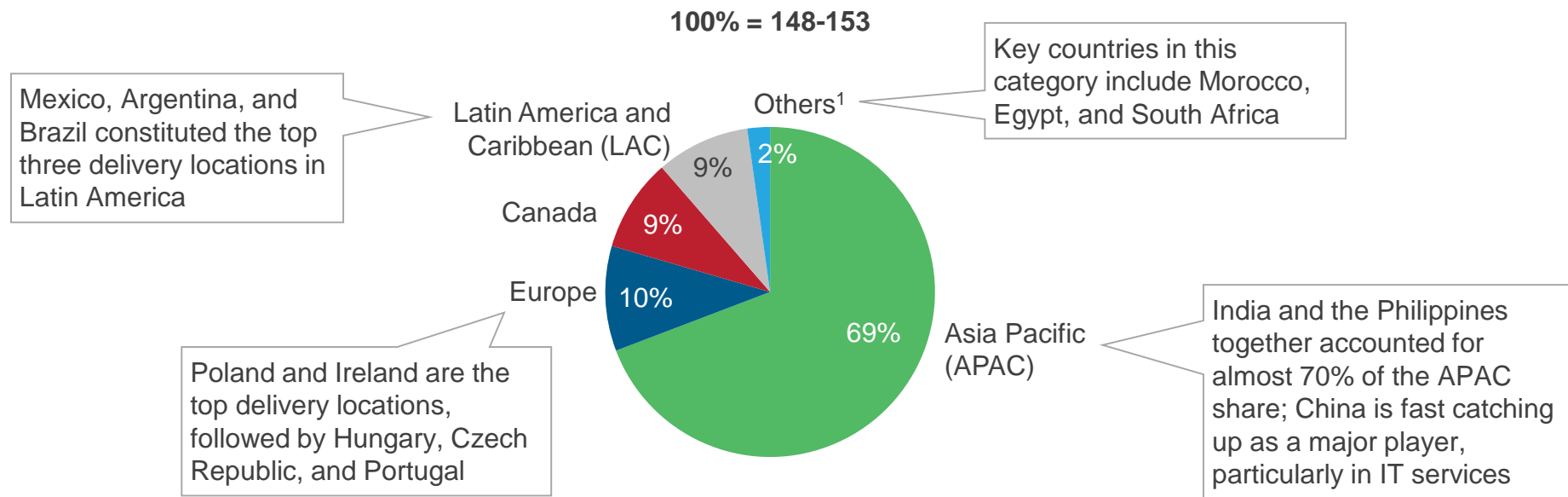
<sup>2</sup> Data for constant year-on-year (Y-O-Y) prices, based on purchasing power parity

Note: Includes global services exports; excludes domestic market

Source: Country- / city-level investment promotion agencies, global services organizations (buyers, global in-house centers, service providers, Everest Group (2015))

# Asia Pacific constitutes ~70% of the global services market revenues; Nearshore Europe and Latin America & the Caribbean are witnessing growth

Global services market | Share of delivery regions by revenue  
2014; US\$ billion



<sup>1</sup> Others include Middle East & Africa

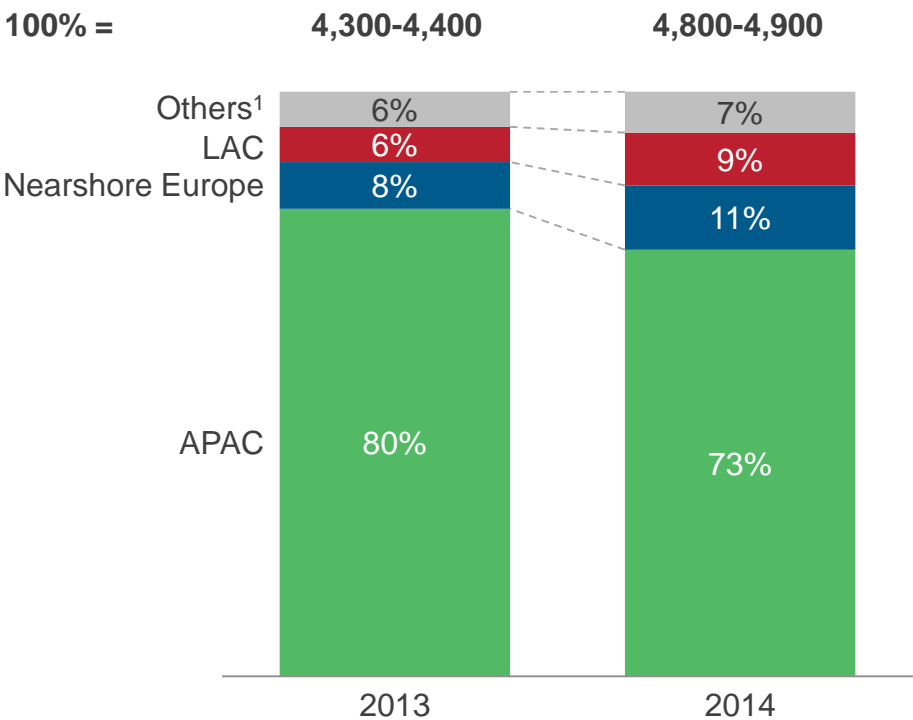
Note: Includes global services exports; excludes domestic market

Source: Country- / city-level investment promotion agencies, global services organizations, Everest Group (2015)



# India and Philippines continue to have the largest share of headcount, both within Asia Pacific and globally

Global services market | Share of delivery regions by headcount<sup>2</sup>  
2013-2014; Number of FTEs (in '000s)



1 Others include Canada, Africa and the Middle Eastern region

2 Includes global services exports for 31 leading locations. Excludes domestic market. Please refer Appendix for further details

Source: Country- / city-level investment promotion agencies, global services organizations, Everest Group (2015)

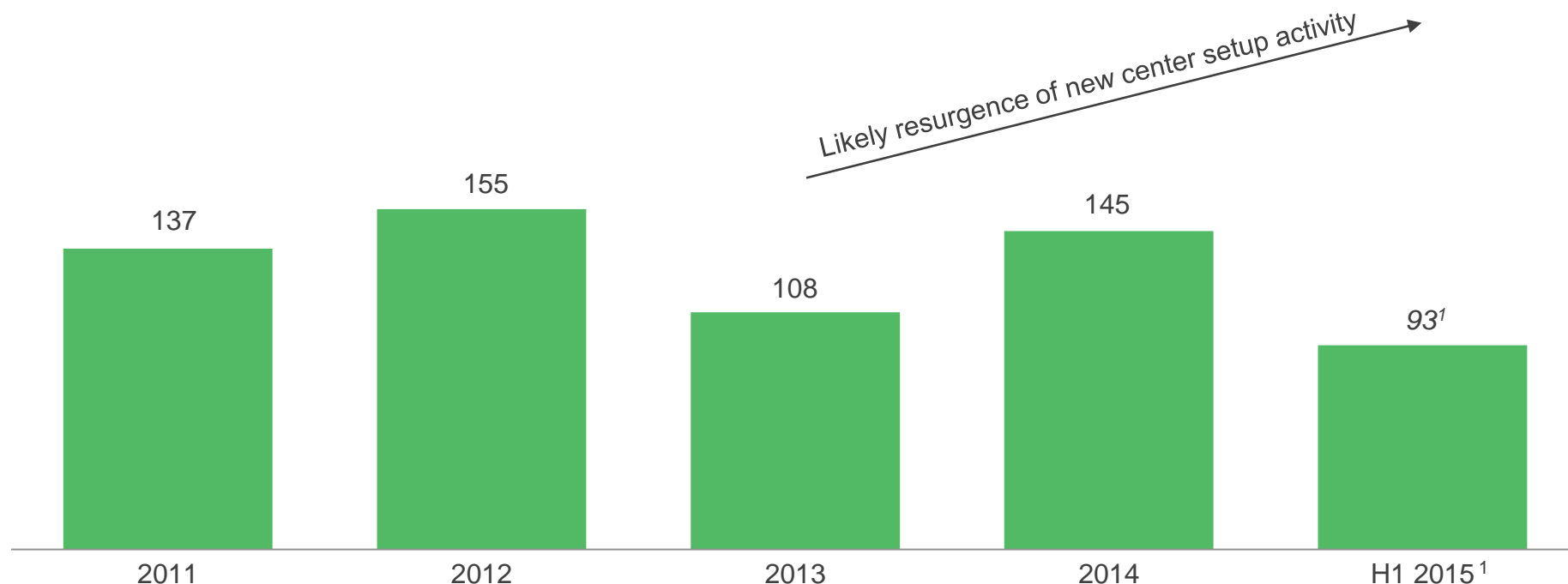
# Location heatmap



1 Analysis based on headcount for global services exports in 2014; please refer to Appendix for further details  
Source: Country- / city-level investment promotion agencies, global services organizations, Everest Group (2015)

# New center setup activity picked up significantly in 2014 after the decline in 2013; it is expected that similar growth rates will continue in 2015

New centers established  
2011-H1 2015<sup>1</sup>; Number



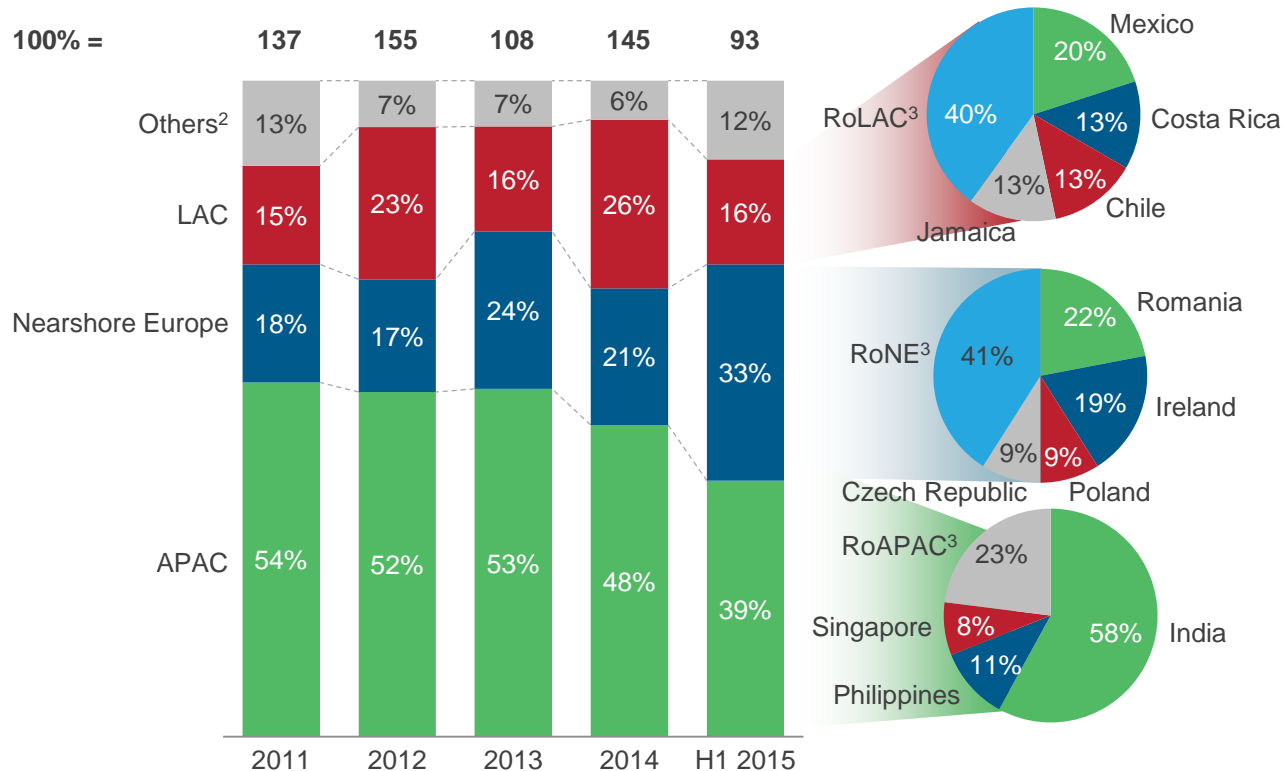
<sup>1</sup> Includes data for Q1 2015 (January-March 2015) and Q2 2015 (April-June 2015)

Note: Includes global in-house centers and (third-party) service provider delivery centers

Source: Everest Group (2015)

# Asia Pacific has witnessed a consistent decline in its share since 2011; Nearshore Europe has stepped up to being slightly lower than Asia Pacific, with Latin America & the Caribbean witnessing a decline in H1 2015

Breakup of new centers by region  
2011-H1 2015<sup>1</sup>; Number



1 Includes data for Q1 2015 (January-March 2015) and Q2 2015 (April-June 2015)

2 Includes activity recorded in the Middle East and Africa region

3 RoAPAC = Rest of APAC; RoNE = Rest of Nearshore Europe; RoLAC = Rest of LAC

Note: Includes global in-house centers and (third-party) service provider delivery centers

Source: Everest Group (2015)

# Locations activity | Summary of key trends

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## Functions supported

- Share of business process services has been consistent since 2013, while the share of IT services has increased
- Decline in share of R&D/engineering function

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## Type of city (tier-1 and tier-2/3 cities)

- Increasing instances of players leveraging tier-2/3 locations, although this movement continues to be muted in the Asia Pacific
- The Middle East and African region leads the adoption of tier-2/3 cities for service delivery, followed closely by LAC

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## GICs and service providers

- GIC setups have increased significantly since 2012, and have overtaken service provider setups in H1 2015
- Service provider activity improved since 2013, and is expected to be at par with GIC activity in 2015

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## Type of provider

- Share of top 20 service providers<sup>1</sup> in the new center setups increased across APAC and Middle East & Africa, whereas Nearshore Europe witnessed a significant decline

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## Onshore geographies<sup>2</sup>

- Increasing investments by top 20 service providers<sup>1</sup> in onshore locations
- Continental Europe witnessed a spurt in activity since 2013

<sup>1</sup> 20 leading service providers across IT and BPS that Everest Group uses as “index” providers to gauge market trends

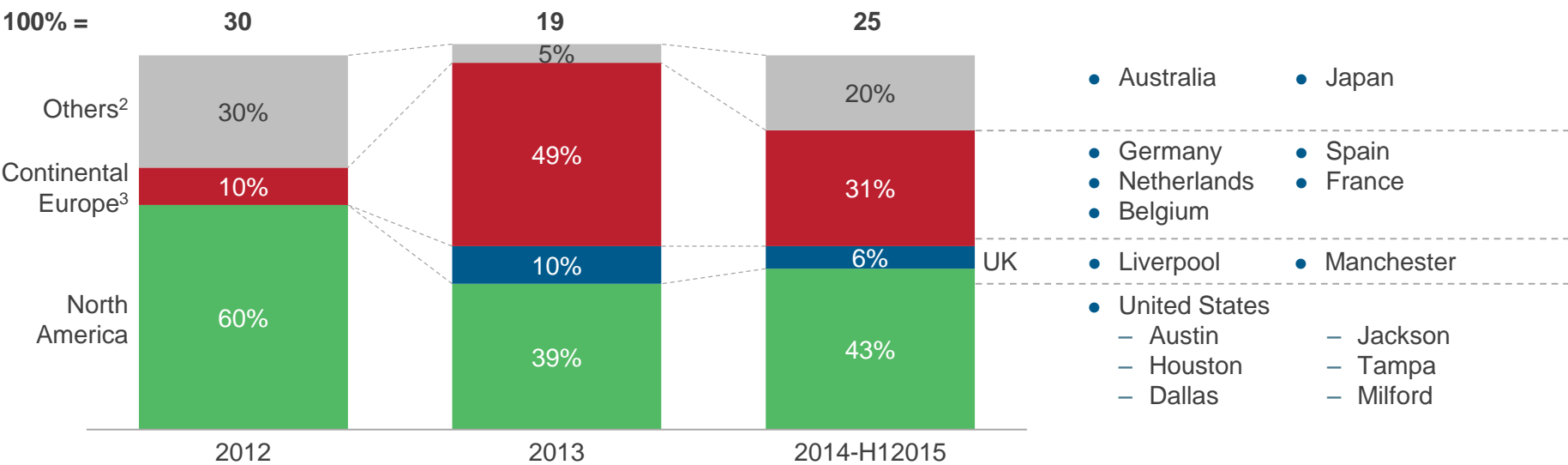
<sup>2</sup> Includes U.S., UK, Western Europe, Nordics, Australia, New Zealand, and Japan

Source: Everest Group (2015)

# Share of United States in onshore center setups by the top-20 service providers increased since 2013, with European locations taking the second place

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New onshore delivery centers of top 20 service providers<sup>1</sup> by region  
2012-H1 2015<sup>3</sup>; Number of centers



1 20 leading service providers across IT and BPS that Everest Group uses as “index” providers to gauge market trends  
2 Includes Australia, Japan, and New Zealand  
3 Also includes Nordic and Scandinavian countries  
4 Includes data for Q1 2015 (January-March 2015) and Q2 2015 (April-June 2015)  
Source: Everest Group (2015)

# MAP Matrix™ | Definition and key components

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Everest Group's **Maturity | Arbitrage | Potential (MAP) Matrix™** provides an objective, data-driven, and comparative assessment of locations specific to a market segment (function and process).

The section presents analyses on **60+ locations (cities)** for the following **seven functions**:

- Information Technology – Application Development and Maintenance (IT-ADM)
- Contact center (English language)
- Transactional Business Process Services (BPS)
- Complex / judgment-intensive BPS
- Bilingual (Spanish and English language) BPS
- Multi-lingual (European languages) BPS
- Knowledge services

# MAP Matrix™ | Summary

## Central America

- Most of the locations are Major Contenders for bilingual BPS delivery
- In most other categories, these locations are Aspirants
- Mexico City, Kingston, San Jose, Guatemala, and Santo Domingo are the “Star Performers” for various functions
- Some locations present high operating and business risk

## Latin America

- Argentina and Costa Rica are Leaders and “Star Performers” for bilingual BPS delivery
- For other functions, Kingston, Mexico City, San Jose, Guatemala, and Santo Domingo have emerged as “Star Performers”

## Central Eastern Europe (CEE)

- Poland is a Leader and “Star Performer” for most of the functions
- Dublin presents a distinct value proposition – it is mostly leveraged for high-end judgement intensive work
- Other locations in Northern Ireland, Romania, Hungary, and Czech Republic have emerged as “Star Performers” for multilingual BPS delivery

## India

- Leader and “Star Performer” in all the English language / language-agnostic delivery functions
- Recent decline in currency has increased cost arbitrage with onshore locations
- Increasing traction towards tier-2 Indian locations as they offer a compelling value proposition – higher cost savings and access to a large talent pool
- No major change in the risk profile

## Philippines

- Leader and “Star Performer” for functions related to English language voice delivery and IT-ADM
- Compelling value proposition from cost-talent standpoint; continues to be the most favorable location after Indian cities
- Risks of disruption from natural disasters continue to exist; hence, players are adopting business continuity measures

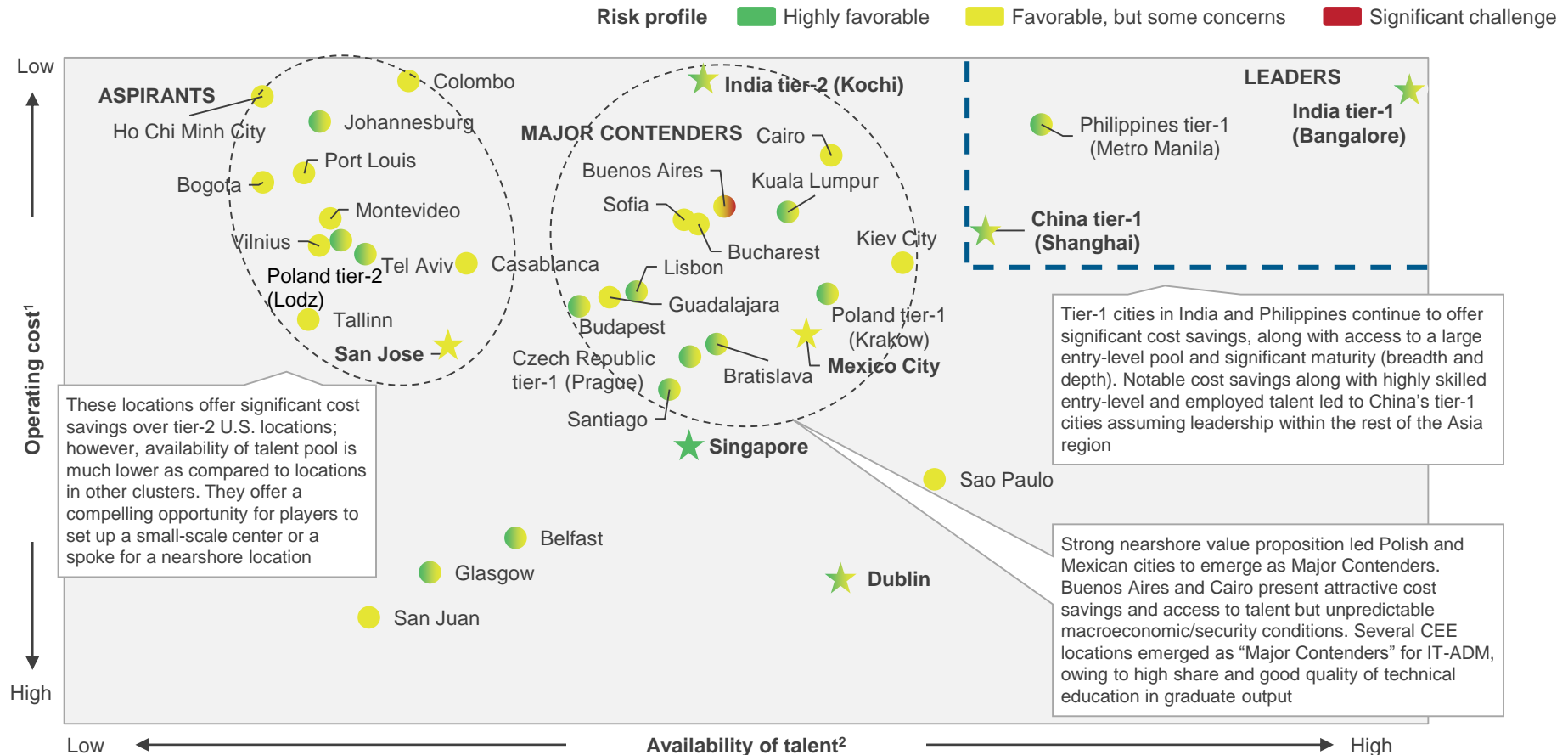
Source: Everest Group (2015)



# Sample MAP Matrix™ | IT-ADM

MAP Matrices™ for seven functions are published in the report

★ Star Performer



1 Fully-loaded, ongoing operating cost, including compensation, facilities, and technology expenses

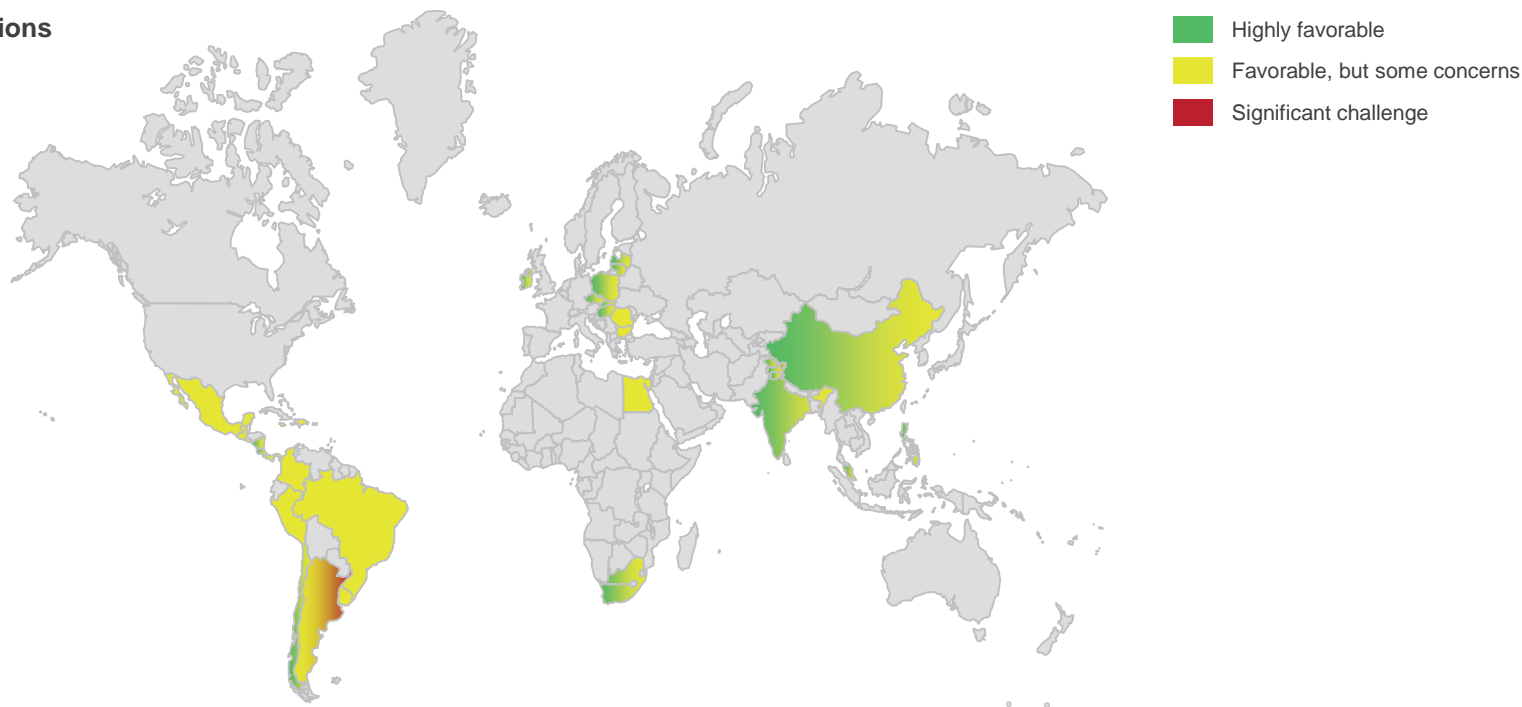
2 Considers relevant entry-level and experienced talent

Note: We used representative cities to depict typical talent-cost positioning for tier-1 and tier-2 cities for some countries (e.g., Metro Manila as a tier-1 city and Bacolod as a tier-2 city in the Philippines); there could be other cities in the country that also offer comparable propositions to these cities

Source: Inputs from market players, recruitment firms, and investment agencies; Everest Group (2015)

# Summary of key messages | Risk watch

## Risk ratings of key locations



## Changes in risk profiles across leading global services locations in 2014-Q3 2015

- Many Latin American currencies have depreciated sharply against the U.S. dollar. Consequently, these locations have become more cost competitive compared to other delivery locations
- Having gone through a period of political uncertainty in 2011-2013, Egypt's political environment is stabilizing with a steady government at the helm
- The fall in crude oil prices globally has helped India in curbing inflation to some extent
- Guatemala is witnessing a political crisis. There have been protests against the government due to allegations of corruption
- Tax legislation changes in Brazil are likely to reduce profitability of IT service providers in the country
- Increased political unrest after Petrobras scandal in Brazil
- The geopolitical crisis in Ukraine have led to continued security concerns; global services sector had adopted a cautious stance

# The report has 40 pages of data on locations activity – new centers set up by GICs and service providers over 2013-H1 2014

Locations activity					
Offshore locations   Delivery centers established in Q1 2013 (page 1 of 3)					
Asia					
Country	City	Month	Service provider / GIC	Headcount	Other comments
Country 1	City 1	January			
Country 2	City 2	February			
Country 3	City 3	February			
Country 4	City 4	February			
Country 5	City 5	February			
Country 6	City 6	February			
Country 7	City 7	February			
Country 8	City 8	March			
Country 9	City 9	March			
Country 10	City 10	March			
Country 11	City 11	March			

Locations activity					
Offshore locations   Delivery centers established in Q1 2014 (page 4 of 6)					
Asia (continued)					
Country	City	Month	Service provider/ GIC	Headcount	Other comments
Country 1	City 1	March	Service provider 1	N/A	Established a back-office center to provide F&A services, related to transactions processing, reconciliation, and financial intermediation. The center is expected to have a seating capacity of 2,000-3,000 FTEs
Country 2	City 2	March	Service provider 2	N/A	Opened its R&D center by acquiring KitLocate's Herzliya office. The center aims to use KitLocate's expertise to improve the personalization of mobile search and targeted advertising
Africa					
Country	City	Month	Service provider/ GIC	Headcount	Other comments
Country 1	City 1	January	Service provider 1	N/A	Established a center that will provide access to cloud computing resources, analytics, and big data services, with access available to IBM clients and partners, as well as developers, entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, and academics
Latin America					
Country	City	Month	Service provider/ GIC	Headcount	Other comments
Country 1	City 1	January	Service provider 1	300FTEs	Established a contact center providing customer care, technical support, sales, and collection services
Country 2	City 2	January	Service provider 2	~300 FTEs	Established a new facility to provide unparalleled Hispanic customer care and customer acquisition programs to their U.S.-based clients
Country 3	City 3	January	Service provider 3	N/A	Opened a new center providing voice-based BPO services to the customers of Bahamassair as well as the Caribbean country's tourism department

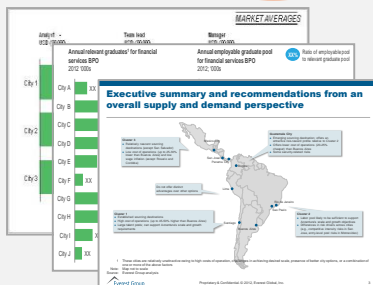
Source: Everest Group (2015)

# Everest Group's Locations Insider subscription provides detailed information, analysis, and perspectives on global locations through multiple types of reports

## Function focus location reports *Identify and assess function-specific growth opportunities in regions*

3 reports per year

- Comparative analysis of cities in a region for a specific function (e.g., IT-ADM, customer service)
- Comparison of cities on:
  - Operating costs
  - Talent pool
  - Key players
  - Risks
  - Future outlook



## Emerging location trends

*Keep up with the latest themes in location strategy and management*

2 reports per year

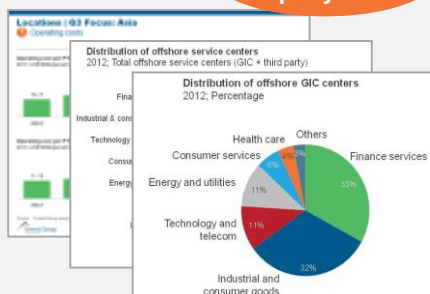
- Reports/viewpoints addressing specific global/regional themes
- Examples of topics:
  - Tier-2/3 cities in CEE
  - Rise of onshoring
  - Emerging functional opportunities in locations



## "Next-wave" location profiles *Stay ahead of competition in understanding opportunities in "next-wave" locations*

10 profiles per year

- Short profiles of emerging / "next-wave" countries or cities for global sourcing
- Coverage includes:
  - Global sourcing profile
  - Operating costs
  - Players present
  - Key risks, opportunities, drivers, and challenges



## Global locations annual report *Annual update of locations activity, risks, perceptions, and plans*

1 report per year

- Annual report on activity and key developments across locations
- Analyses include:
  - Location set-up activity
  - Perceptions and plans of buyers and providers
  - Rankings of locations by function
  - Risk watch



Includes complimentary access to the annual locations webinar and access to analysts

# Locations Insider research calendar

Topic	Release date
Nearshore Europe Is IT! IT Services Riding The Nearshore Advantage .....	April 2015
Next-wave Location Profile – Penang, Malaysia .....	April 2015
North America Domestic Outsourcing Services: Providers Embrace Onshoring – Is the World Still Flat? .....	May 2015
Ukraine Crisis: Is the Regional IT Service Delivery Landscape Changing? .....	June 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Lithuania .....	July 2015
Value Proposition of Tier-2/3 Cities for Global Services Delivery .....	July 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Lodz, Poland .....	July 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Puerto Rico .....	August 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Brno, Czech Republic .....	September 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Curitiba, Brazil .....	September 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Tunisia .....	October 2015
Global Locations Annual Report .....	November 2015
Emerging Locations Trends report: SMAC delivery hotspots .....	Q4 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: El Salvador .....	Q4 2015
"Next-wave" location profiles: Turkey .....	Q4 2015
Function focus report: Locations supporting business process services in Asian languages .....	Q4 2015
Function focus report: Locations supporting IT services in Latin America and Caribbean .....	Q1 2016
"Next-wave" location profiles: Nicaragua .....	Q1 2016

# Additional research references

The following documents are recommended for additional insight on the topic covered in this report. The recommended documents either provide additional details on the topic or complementary content that may be of interest

1. **Global Locations Annual Report 2014: Expanding Frontiers and Maturation** ([EGR-2014-2-R-1273](#)); 2014. The global sourcing locations landscape showed definite signs of recovery in 2014, after a slump in 2013. The Global Locations Annual Report 2014 is a unique and comprehensive guide to understanding the nuances of the locations landscape and interpreting locations-related developments and trends to frame locations strategy. It presents insights into the size and growth of the global services market, update of locations activity, changes in risk profiles of locations, and an analysis of the maturity, arbitrage, and potential of locations (MAP Matrix™)
2. **Will Robots Eat Locations Strategy for Breakfast?** ([EGR-2015-8-R-1605](#)); 2015. With rising wage costs challenging the value proposition of the labor arbitrage model, both enterprises and service providers are exploring new avenues to optimize service delivery and unlock further cost savings. This report presents a forward-looking view of the impact of automation on delivery location strategies of companies. We have considered a popular automation technology called Robotic Process Automation (RPA), which is very effective in automating rule-based transactional processes, to analyze the impact of automation on delivery portfolios.
3. **North America Domestic Outsourcing Services: Providers Embrace Onshoring – Is the World Still Flat?** ([EGR-2015-2-R-1455](#)); 2015. This report analyses key trends in domestic outsourcing market in the U.S. and Canada, looking at variations by location type across different functions, type of service provider, and other factors. The analysis includes over 670 delivery centers representing more than 50 leading service providers across IT, business process, and contact center, in approximately 300 cities
4. **Nearshore Europe Is IT! IT Services Riding The Nearshore Advantage** ([EGR-2015-2-R-1432](#)); 2015. Nearshore Europe has globally emerged as a leading Information Technology (IT) services delivery location. In this report, we analyze the relative attractiveness of key cities in this geography for IT services delivery, and provide insights across dimensions such as talent availability, cost of operations, and risk profiles. We describe how the amalgamation of these variables results in unique set of opportunities and challenges for each of these locations

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