


# Five factors to consider when choosing a colocation data centre provider

## Choosing a data center provider isn't a trivial decision.

After all, your mission-critical infrastructure will be housed within someone else's facility. Before you choose a colocation data center provider, there are many criteria to be considered. The points listed won't address every line item businesses need to ask about colocation, however, the points noted should help you and others make the best possible choice.

Here are five criteria to think about:



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### Location

This point is crucial as your staff / colleagues will need to visit the data centre which means the site(s) of choice needs to be within a reasonable distance. Investigate this option.

### Reliability

This metric is a reflection of uptime. A reliable provider should be able to claim 'five nines,' meaning they are reliable at least 99.999% of the time.

### Financial Stability

The deeper the pockets of the colocation data centre owner, the better. There's no point in taking space at a data centre that will be closed in a few years because of financial issues offer details aside.

### Network Ecosystem

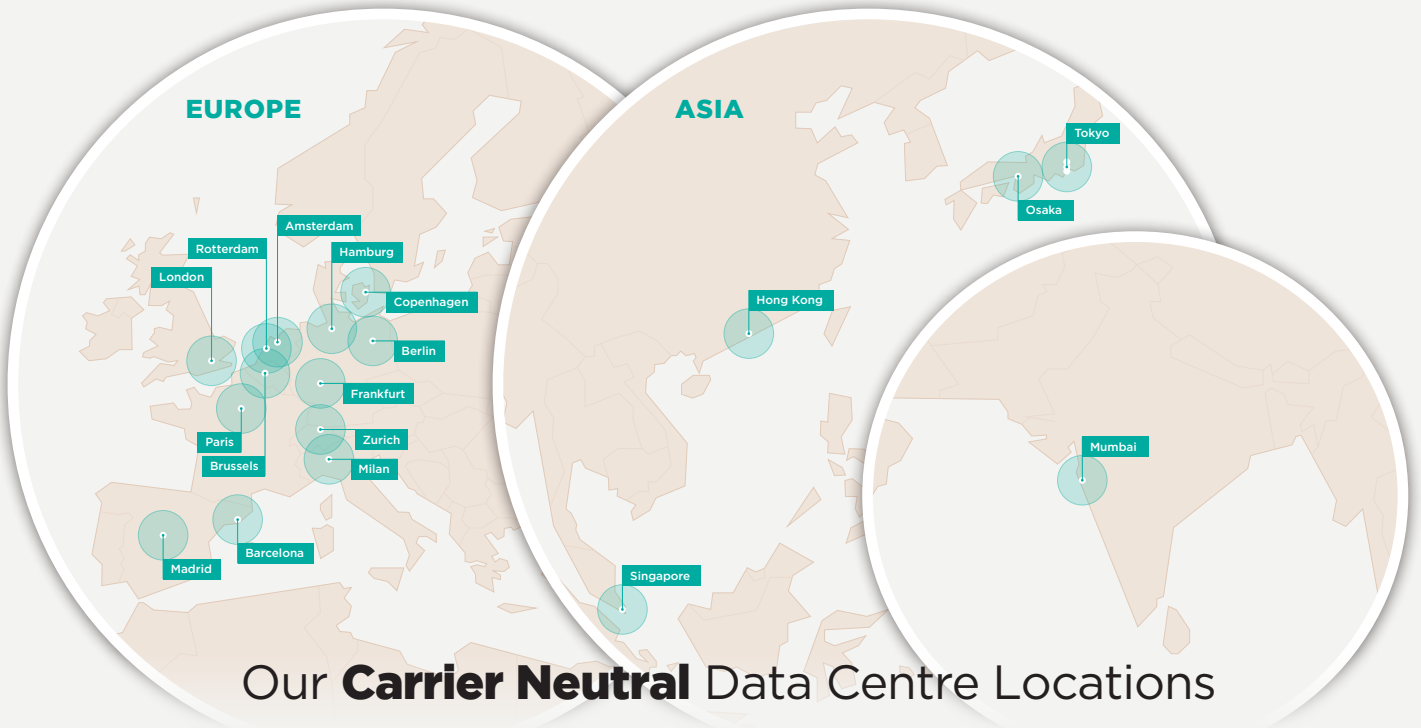
Connectivity is a crucial part of a data centre's value proposition. The ability to do so with partners or distributors, for peering or other purposes, interconnection can equate to significant value for your organisation. That's why it's important to understand the available options. For example: Is the facility carrier-neutral?

### Deployment Efficiency

The speed of a cross-connect setup matters as does a company's ability to take rack space. Downtime or disruptions have to be minimised. It's essential completion promises are secured and have the vendor stick to them.

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