



Press Release

NIIT Ltd. appoints Gavin Dabreo as CEO of its K-12 school learning subsidiary - MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)

New Delhi, November 17, 2015: NIIT Ltd, a global leader in skills and talent development, announced the appointment of Gavin Dabreo as the CEO of its K-12 school learning subsidiary - MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL).

Earlier during the year, NIIT had hived off its K-12 School Learning business into a Wholly Owned Subsidiary Company called - **MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)**. This was done with the view of inviting strategic investors and partners, as a separate entity would effectively cater to the independent growth and future expansion plans of the School Learning business.

Taking this vision forward, Gavin Dabreo has joined as the CEO of MLSL to spearhead the growth of NIIT's school learning initiatives.

An MBA from the Manchester Business School, UK, Gavin has an extensive work experience of 25 years across – education, hospitality, telecom and consumer product industries. He began in 1991 in advertising with FCB Ulka in Mumbai. Subsequently, at the Tata Group, Gavin was one of the first few employees of Tata Teleservices. In 2008 he joined Meru Cabs, as one of the founding members of the management committee, helping the team build Meru Cabs into India's largest and favourite taxi company. He was also the CEO of Singapore based, Rumi Education Pvt. Ltd.

Gavin's last stint was as CEO at Varsity Education Management, where he executed one of India's largest digital education program in private schools, established India's first edu-cloud network in partnership with Microsoft Corporation and Agreeya Mobility.

Welcoming **Gavin Dabreo as the CEO of NIIT's school learning subsidiary - MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)**, Mr. **Rahul Patwardhan, CEO, NIIT Ltd.** said, *"With the creation of an independent subsidiary in MLSL and with the leadership that will be provided by Gavin, as its CEO, NIIT will unlock the value from its heritage in the school sector. This, together with our stated intent of working with strategic investors and partners, will enable us to position MLSL as a leader in the school learning space"*.

Speaking on joining **MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)** as its **CEO, Gavin Dabreo** said, *"I am pleased to take on this role, and excited about the possibilities that lie in the future. Bringing my experience of the school sector on a platform of a trusted brand like NIIT, I look forward to working with the team and taking MLSL to the next level of growth."*

About MindChampion Learning Systems Limited

As NIIT's wholly owned subsidiary for its K-12 school learning initiative - **MindChampion Learning Systems Limited (MLSL)**, is providing technology based learning to around 2,000 private schools across India, reaching out to more than a million students. The futuristic NIIT nGuru range of learning solutions



for schools comprises Interactive Classrooms with digital content, technology-driven Math Lab, IT Wizard programs and Quick School - an Education Resource Planning software.

MLSL, builds on the strong lineage of NIIT's School Learning business. Started in 1990, as NIIT's foray into School Learning, the company has provided technology based education to over 17,000 schools in India, Bhutan, South Africa and the Middle East, impacting more than 10 million students.

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About NIIT

Established in 1981, NIIT Limited, a global leader in Skills and Talent Development, offers multi-disciplinary learning management and training delivery solutions to corporations, institutions, and individuals in over 40 countries. NIIT has three main lines of business across the globe- Corporate Learning Group, Skills and Careers Group, and School Learning Group.

NIIT's Corporate Learning Group (CLG) offers Managed Training Services (MTS) to market-leading companies in North America, Europe, Asia, and Oceania. The comprehensive suite of Managed Training Services includes custom Curriculum Design and Content Development, Learning Administration, Learning Delivery, Strategic Sourcing, Learning Technology, and Advisory Services. With a team of some of the world's finest learning professionals, NIIT is dedicated to helping customers increase the business value of learning and development (L&D). Built on the sound principles of 'Running Training like a Business', NIIT's Managed Training Services and best-in-class training processes enable customers to align business goals with L&D, reduce costs, realise measurable value, benefit from rock-solid operations, and increase business impact.

NIIT's Skills and Careers Group (SNC) delivers a diverse range of learning and talent development programs to millions of individual and corporate learners in areas including Banking, Finance & Insurance, Soft Skills, Business Process Excellence, Retail Sales Enablement, Management Education, Multi-Sectoral Vocational Skills, Digital Media Marketing, and new-age IT. These programs are delivered through a hybrid combination of the 'Cloud Campus' online platform, satellite-based 'Synchronous Learning Technology' and a physical network of hundreds of learning centers in India, China, and select markets in Asia & Africa. The flagship multi-disciplinary course offerings include the industry-endorsed RevGNIIT program and a set of Post Graduate Programs for students from different streams, apart from a wide range of specialist short duration programs.

To further strengthen its SNC portfolio in India, NIIT has tied up with industry majors like ICICI Bank for NIIT Institute of Finance Banking Insurance & Training Limited, IFBI; leading business schools in India for NIIT Imperia; Genpact for NIIT Uniqua; and a joint venture with NSDC for NIIT YuvaJyoti Limited. Besides this, for the China market, NIIT has tied up with governments and software parks in Guian, Chongqing, Wuxi, Suzhou, Changzhou, Zhangjiagang, Haikou and Dafeng, for state-of-the-art public-private partnership centres.

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As the Most Trusted Brand in India for 3rd year in a row (Brand Trust Report, 2015), NIIT's learning and talent development solutions, continue to receive widespread recognition globally. NIIT has been named among the Top 20 Training Outsourcing Companies for the past seven consecutive years by Training Industry, Inc. USA. Further, leading Indian ICT journal Dataquest has conferred upon NIIT the 'Top Training Company' award successively for the past 20 years, since the inception of this category. NIIT YuvaJyoti Ltd was recognized as the Best Vocational Education and Skill Development initiative at the World Education Summit, 2014.

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