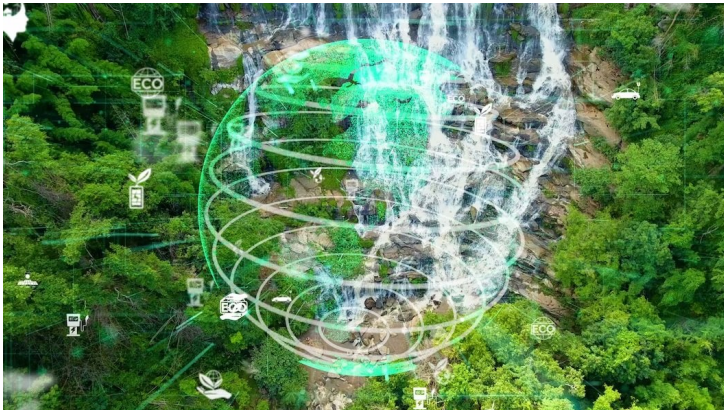


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NTT and ClimateForce have partnered to create the world's first Smart Rainforest using NTT's Smart Management Platform technology. This groundbreaking initiative aims to regenerate a section of Australia's Daintree Rainforest and establish sustainable and cost-effective models for environmental restoration efforts around the world.

ClimateForce is regenerating a section of Australia's Daintree Rainforest that had been razed for agriculture decades ago. The land, which is adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef, has since become infested with invasive plant species. NTT's sponsorship will help support the regeneration effort using Smart Management Platform (SMP) Technology and Analytics, while NTT DATA, a global digital business and IT services leader, is providing operational and fundraising support.

"ClimateForce is a proving ground for technologies that protect biodiversity and help mitigate climate change," said Barney Swan, CEO and Co-founder of ClimateForce. "The generous support from NTT and NTT DATA will help us quickly expand our initiative in the Daintree and speed our goal of developing replicable models that regenerate ecosystems, protect biodiversity and foster resilient local economies in other locations."

NTT DATA will help ClimateForce leverage AI, data gathering and analysis as well as predictive analytics to assess various organic reforestation techniques. In addition to providing operating support for the initiative, NTT DATA is also contributing funds to help ClimateForce purchase and protect the regenerated land in perpetuity.

"NTT DATA met Barney through our sponsorship of his father's Undaunted: South Pole 2023 expedition, which advocated for sustainable practices and long-term protections for Antarctica," said Bob Pryor, CEO, NTT DATA

Services. "We're excited to extend this relationship and help ClimateForce with its mission in the tropics, which perfectly aligns with our own vision for realizing a sustainable future."