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Proact, Europe's largest independent storage integrator, supplies enterprise storage to the Sint Franciscus Hospital in Rotterdam.

The Sint Franciscus Gasthuis is a major hospital with a rich history and offers care covering a wide range of specialisms. As a team its 100 medical specialists and 2000 staff aim to respond positively to the needs of the patient, with high-quality care and a service-oriented attitude. Always at the heart of this are the interests of the patient. Given increasing digitisation and the corresponding growth in data the availability of its IT infrastructure is crucial. With the enterprise storage systems, the Sint Franciscus Gasthuis has ensured for itself maximum availability and security, as well as flexibility to deal effectively with changes or situations both positive (growth) and negative (fire, water damage).

Lucas den Os, Managing Director Proact Benelux, says, "Since our start in 2008 we have welcomed a variety of organisations within the healthcare industry as our clients in the Benelux. We are very pleased now to be able to count the Sint Franciscus hospital as one of our clients as well. This demonstrates Proact's increased foothold and focus on innovation in the healthcare sector."

The solution supplied by Proact consists of two completely redundant storage systems. As well as very high performance the solution also offers maximum availability of data using stable snapshot technology and synchronous mirroring to the second location. This cross replication means that the storage systems provide fallback for each other. This is a relatively simple way to realise a complete fallback environment for Sint Franciscus Gasthuis. The storage systems are also equipped with four storage controllers per system and the most advanced, self-optimising, Thin Provisioning technology. The solution is very simple to manage and ensures that the number of manual actions in the area of backup and recovery are massively reduced.

Peter de Boer, automation team manager at Sint Franciscus Gasthuis, says, "Owing to the strong growth in recent years and in order to grow with the ever-increasing digitisation in health care, there was a need for a new storage solution. The Sint Franciscus Gasthuis was looking for a storage platform with maximum flexibility, very high availability at a competitive price. We have found that the higher availability and faster-working storage solution of this renovated storage infrastructure facilitate us offering good patient care."

Proact is supplying the total solution including 24/7 support for hardware and software.

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About Proact

Proact is a specialist in storage, archiving and securing large volumes of mission-critical information. As an independent integrator, Proact provides systems, support and consulting services within its focus area of data storage and archiving.

The Proact Group has more than 600 employees and conducts business in Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Great Britain, Latvia, Lithuania, The Netherlands, Norway, Slovakia, Spain and Sweden. Proact was founded in 1994 and its parent company, Proact IT Group AB (publ) has been listed on Nasdaq OMX Stockholm since 1999 under the symbol PACT.

Additional information about Proact is available at www.proact.eu

About Sint Franciscus Gasthuis (www.sfg.nl)

The Sint Franciscus Gasthuis is a hospital with a rich history in Rotterdam, offering care covering a wide range of specialisms. This care and support is provided by roughly 110 specialists and 2,000 staff.

The Sint Franciscus Gasthuis cares deeply about its patient care and adapts the care package to the wishes of the patient. The care is often multidisciplinary: all medical staff, carers and other bodies involved with the patient coordinate their activities. The Sint Franciscus Gasthuis pays great attention to cooperation with other care providers in the region.