Global IT giant CGI creating more than 700 jobs in the UK

Canadian IT and consulting firm CGI is creating more than 700 new jobs across the UK, including 150 in Wales, over the next year.

As part of its expansion the global firm, which currently employs more 5,576 in the UK, of which 1,207 are based at its Bridgend and St Asaph operations in Wales, is investing in new offices in Leeds, Leicester and Liverpool.

Tara McGeehan, president of CGI in the UK and Australia, said: "I'm delighted to be able to announce CGI's growing commitment to the UK through this continued investment. Our growth is fully aligned with our ambitious net zero plan and science-based targets which include achieving a 46% reduction in absolute emissions from our operations and business travel by 2026."

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Lord Grimstone, Minister for Investment at the departments of International Trade and Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, said: "CGI's expansion is a testament to the UK's enduring strength as a global hub for investment, built on our competitive economy and cutting-edge innovation. This

investment in the North of England, Scotland and Wales will create jobs, economic growth and help level up our regions and nations of the UK."

CGI's UK expansion comes after securing a five year partnership with Volkswagen Group in UK to provide them with managed IT services

Donna Kelly, senior vice president, South & Midlands at CGI, said, "We are delighted to announce our five-year partnership with Volkswagen Group UK. We are excited to support them on their digital journey and help them offer an improved user experience for employees and customers alike. Volkswagen Group UK's approach is highly aligned with CGI's values of sustainability and inclusivity."

Michael Marr, chief investment officer of Volkswagen Group UK, said: We are very much looking forward to working with the CGI team together with Group IT departments of other Volkswagen Group entities here in the UK."

Founded in 1976, CGI is among the largest independent IT and business consulting services firms in the world, With 78,000 consultants and other professionals across the globe.

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