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IDEMIA Secure Transactions (IST), the leading technology provider that unlocks safer and easier ways to pay and connect, proudly announces a groundbreaking achievement in partnership with Soft Space. Together, they will be able to equip its customers with Mobile Payment Commercial off-the-shelf (MPoC) certified SoftPOS solutions with immediate effect. This makes it easier for merchants to switch to a SoftPOS solution, giving cardholders more ways to pay.

Soft Space, a global leader in fintech-as-a-service (FaaS), is the first company to receive the end-to-end MPoC Solution certification from the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC)1. This certification awarded on February 26, 2024, signifies a pivotal moment in payment standards, paving the way for current and upcoming IST customers to enjoy the benefits of MPoC certification.

The MPoC certification is the most complete PCI SSC certification for SoftPOS solutions, enabling the launch of live SoftPOS globally. The full certification covers all MPoC's domains from frontend to backend that differs from partial certifications (such as MPoC Software, MPoC Attestation and Monitoring Services). Businesses working with a provider holding partial certification will need to budget for additional certifications to launch a complete live solution.

MPoC is currently the most comprehensive and flexible standard, surpassing previous standards such as SPoC (Software-based PIN Entry on Commercial Off-The-Shelf) and CPoC (Contactless Payments on Commercial Off-The-Shelf). Since February 2022, IDEMIA and Soft Space have consistently led groundbreaking innovations; from transforming smartphones into POS terminals to enabling Tap-to-Pay on iPhone, their joint efforts have reshaped the ecosystem of contactless payments. Following on the heels of those successes, this latest MPoC certification sets future norms for the industry.

With the world's first PCI MPoC Solution fully certified SoftPoS, IDEMIA and Soft Space lead the way in the evolving landscape of contactless payments. Achieving MPoC thought Soft Space validates IST's commitment to pioneering card payments, aligning with our mission of making payments easier, greener, and safer. Always.

Mehdi Elhaoussine, Senior Vice President, Digital – Payment Services at IDEMIA

Some providers may have attained partial MPoC certification, but they can't launch a complete live solution in the market yet. With Soft Space's achievement sealed, IST and Soft Space can together become the preferred go-to partner for all financial institutions and

neobanks seeking a MPoC-certified SoftPOS solution.

Joel Tay, Chief Executive Officer at Soft Space

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