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Silicon Geyser: put your datacentres here

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1. [Iceland](#) destined to be the new Silicon Valley? Or maybe Silicon Geyser might be more appropriate. I spent some time at NetEvents in Frascati last week speaking to [Verne Global](#), which has the [Wellcome Trust](#) as its majority investor and which has built a datacentre on that island of hot and cold. Verne is taking advantage of the country's unique infrastructure and topology to guarantee its energy bill for the next 20 years. Let me unpack. Among the two biggest costs when setting up a datacentre are the cost of building it in the first place, and the cost of the energy needed to run it. Verne says it has reduced both of those significantly and, as a result, has set up a datacentre in [Iceland](#), halfway between its two main customers, the UK and US. On its own, this is isn't terribly unusual, but ... [\(Read Full Article\)](#)