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Former tenant praises the work of STC

Shaun Holthouse, CEO of Catapult Innovations Pty. Ltd., has praised STC for the opportunities it gives to its tenants.

"It's just a great place to be," he said.

Shaun said that the chance to collaborate with other tenants and to share resources were key reasons why Catapult chose to locate itself at STC for over four years.

"I would definitely recommend that any start-up technology company, especially if their technology is related to electronics, wireless or biotech, should consider basing themselves at STC."

"One key advantage of being located at STC was being able to access and share equipment with the other tenants. We had access to a range of equipment, for example we borrowed network analysers from bluechiip, equipment from PWP, Aqua Diagnostics."

Another deciding factor for Catapult was the support provided to STC by the Victorian State Government.

The consulting side of Catapult's business grew notably out of its association with STC. "To begin with consulting work was a really small part of our company, but through the other tenants we got quite a lot of project and consulting work, which lead to significant work for us with organisations like DSTO and Nanovic."

Shaun also commended the networking opportunities that STC provides to its tenants. "Events like industry forums and guest speakers are very beneficial and offer a great chance for STC members to meet new people within the technology industry."

After being based at STC since 2006, Catapult recently moved to South Melbourne to be closer to their client-base. Catapult specialises in providing low-cost, precision performance analysis technologies to help monitor athletes. Clients of their products include St Kilda Football club, the Australian Institute of Sport and Everton Football Club in the UK.

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