

HGC and A1 Telekom Austria announce IPX peering arrangement For Europe and Asia

Greater Network Reach with Better Quality and Reliability

Hong Kong/Chicago, 9 May 2018 - HGC Global Communications Limited (HGC), a fixed-line operator with extensive Hong Kong and international network coverage, and A1 Telekom Austria AG, a provider of a range of fixed-line, broadband Internet, multimedia services, data and IT solutions, wholesale and mobile payment solutions, today announced that they have entered into an IPX-peering agreement. The agreement, signed today during International Telecoms Week (ITW) 2018 in Chicago, is intended to enable mobile network operators (MNOs) and carriers served by the two companies to exchange IP traffic in a secure manner, without traversing the internet.

The collaboration will enable HGC and A1 Telekom Austria AG to deliver greater reach to clients and end-users via the IPX platforms deployed by the two operators. Carriers, multinational corporations and consumer customers served by the two companies will enjoy seamless integrated services, such as Voice over LTE (VoLTE), Internet of Things (IoT) solutions, and mobile value added services (VAS).

Ravindran Mahalingam, Senior Vice President for HGC's International Business said: "We do see more and more network traffic driven by Over-the top (OTT) services and applications, and the forthcoming arrival of 5G will create more and more data traffic around the globe, including traffic between Europe and Asia. The IPX-peering agreement strengthens the foundation of our partnership with A1 Telekom Austria AG. We look forward to strengthening our network to providing the reliability and connectivity that end-users demand today."

Franz Bader, A1 Telekom Austria AG's Director Wholesale , added, "We believe this new agreement with HGC will enable us to deliver a wider range of services and products for our customers, thus addressing the needs for network traffic in Europe and Asia. The new IPX agreement offers us new opportunities in delivering next-generation services, content and applications".

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About HGC Global Communications Limited

HGC Global Communications Limited (HGC) is a leading Hong Kong and international fixed-line operator. The company owns an extensive network and infrastructure in Hong Kong and overseas and provides various kinds of services. It provides telecom infrastructure service to other operators and serves as a service provider to corporate and households. The company provides full-fledged telecom, data centre services, ICT solutions and broadband services for

local, overseas, corporate and mass markets. HGC owns and operates an extensive fibre-optic network, four cross-border telecom routes integrated into tier-one telecom operators in mainland China and connects with hundreds of world-class international telecom operators. HGC is one of Hong Kong's largest Wi-Fi service providers, running over 29,000 Wi-Fi hotspots in Hong Kong. The company is committed to further investing and enriching its current infrastructure and, in parallel, adding on top the latest technologies and developing its infrastructure services and solutions. HGC is a portfolio company of I Squared Capital, an independent global infrastructure investment manager focusing on energy, utilities and transport in North America, Europe and selected fast-growing economies.

For more information on HGC, please visit www.hgc.com.hk

About A1 Telekom Austria AG

A1 is Austria's leading communications and network provider, encompassing more than 5.3 million mobile communications customers and over 2.1 million fixed access lines. The customers benefit from a global package of offers from one source: voice telephony, Internet access, digital cable television, data and IT solutions, wholesale services, and mobile business and payment solutions. The product brands A1, bob, Red Bull MOBILE and Yesss! represent quality and smart services. As a responsible company A1 integrates socially relevant and environmental concerns into its core business.

A1 Telekom Austria AG is part of A1 Telekom Austria Group (ATX:TKA) – a leading digital services and communications provider in the CEE region with more than 24 million customers across seven countries. Offering communications, payment and entertainment services as well as integrated business solutions Telekom Austria Group achieved revenues of almost 4.4 billion Euros, with A1 contributing more than 2.6 billion Euros, by in the year 2017. Almost 19.000 employees and state of the art broadband infrastructure make digital business and lifestyle possible and enable people, companies and things to connect everywhere anytime. As European unit of América Móvil, one of the largest wireless services provider in the world, Telekom Austria Group is headquartered in Vienna and gives access to global solutions.

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