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## GETLINK SE: Issue of additional senior secured “green” notes due 2025

Getlink SE (the “**Issuer**”) today announces that it is launching an offering of additional senior secured “green” notes due 2025 (the “**Additional Notes**” and such offering, the “**Additional Notes Offering**”). The Additional Notes will be consolidated and treated as a single class with the Issuer’s €700.0 million in aggregate principal amount “green” senior secured notes due 2025 (the “**Original Notes**” and together with the Additional Notes, the “**Notes**”).

In line with Getlink’s focus on sustainability, the Additional Notes will be classified as “Green Bonds”<sup>1</sup>. The Issuer intends to use the proceeds of the Additional Notes Offering to: (a) fund eligible “green” assets; and (b) pay fees and expenses in relation to the Additional Notes Offering. The Additional Notes will not be made available to retail investors.

Getlink has appointed BNP Paribas and Goldman Sachs Bank Europe SE to be the joint global coordinators and active bookrunners, and Société Générale to be the joint bookrunner, for the Additional Notes Offering.

Results of the Additional Notes Offering will be confirmed towards the end of the week.

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<sup>1</sup> The Additional Notes will meet the criteria of the International Capital Markets Association’s Green Bond Principles (2018) (the “**Green Bond Principles**”), as certified by DNV GL Business Assurance Services UK Limited (“**DNV**”) in 2020.

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Solely for the purposes of the manufacturer’s product approval process, the target market assessment in respect of the Additional Notes has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for the Additional Notes is only eligible counterparties, as defined in the FCA Handbook Conduct of Business Sourcebook (“**COBS**”), and professional clients, as defined in Regulation (EU) No 600/2014 as it forms part of UK domestic law by virtue of the EUWA (“**UK MiFIR**”); and (ii) all channels for distribution of the Additional Notes to eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the Additional Notes (for the purposes of this provision, a “**distributor**”) should take into consideration the manufacturer’s target market assessment; however, a distributor subject to the FCA Handbook Product Intervention and Product Governance Sourcebook is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Additional Notes (by either adopting or refining the manufacturer’s target market assessment) and determining appropriate distribution channels.

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This announcement contains inside information within the meaning of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of 16 April 2014 on market abuse (“**MAR**”). For the purposes of MAR and Article 2 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1055, this announcement is made by Michael Schuller, Corporate Finance Director and Head of Investor Relations.

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