

# French financial regulator publishes interim results of Nokia's successful public exchange offer for Alcatel-Lucent securities

Final results to be published by the Autorité des marchés financiers on January 5

**Paris, France, January 4, 2016 –** The French financial regulator, the *Autorité des marchés financiers* (the "AMF"), has published today the interim results of the public exchange offer initiated by Nokia for all outstanding ordinary shares, American depositary shares (the "ADSs") and OCEANE convertible bonds (the "OCEANEs") of Alcatel-Lucent (Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU), in exchange for Nokia shares or Nokia American depositary shares (the "Offer") and has declared that the Offer has a positive result.

As indicated by the AMF, 2 052 812 101 outstanding Alcatel-Lucent ordinary shares, 264 183 778 ADSs, 206 784 349 2018 OCEANEs, 37 880 652 2019 OCEANEs, and 16 138 206 2020 OCEANEs have been tendered into the French and U.S. offers. As a consequence, Nokia should hold, following the settlement of the Offer and if these interim results are confirmed by the AMF in its notice of final results, 76.31% of the share capital and at least 76.01% of the voting rights of Alcatel Lucent, 89.14% of the 2018 OCEANEs outstanding, 24.34% of the 2019 OCEANEs outstanding, and 15.11% of the 2020 OCEANEs outstanding; this equates to Nokia holding 70.52% of the share capital on a fully diluted basis. The completion of the Offer was subject to the minimum tender threshold of 50% of Alcatel-Lucent's shares on a fully diluted basis being reached by Nokia (calculated as indicated in Nokia's offer document (*note d'information*) dated November 12, 2015 on which the AMF affixed visa no. 15-573). This condition has been satisfied and therefore the Offer is successful. Final results of the Offer shall be published by the AMF on January 5, 2016.

Philippe Camus, Chairman and interim CEO of Alcatel-Lucent stated: "With the Board of directors of Alcatel-Lucent, we are pleased that the combination of Nokia and Alcatel-Lucent has reached a decisive step, since Nokia obtained a large majority of the share capital on a fully diluted basis. We reaffirm our unanimous support to this industrial project which, by creating a global powerhouse in next-generation communications technologies and services, creates value for our shareholders, as well as for all our stakeholders. On behalf of the Board, I strongly encourage the investors in Alcatel-Lucent that have retained their securities to tender them into the re-opened offer in order to benefit from this creation of value and to fully participate in a major project for our industry."

As disclosed in the offer documentation, the settlement-delivery following the publication by the AMF of the final results of the Offer is scheduled for January 7, 2016.

In accordance with Article 232-4 of the AMF General Regulation, the offers in France and in the U.S. will be reopened at the same exchange ratios within 10 French trading days of the publication by the AMF of the final results. The AMF will publish the timetable of the reopened Offer. Alcatel-Lucent invites the remaining Alcatel-Lucent securities holders to tender their shares, ADSs or OCEANEs into the reopened Offer.

Any Alcatel-Lucent shares, Alcatel-Lucent ADSs or OCEANE convertible bonds not tendered into the reopened Offer will remain outstanding. After completion of the Offer, Nokia has expressed its intention



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to delist Alcatel-Lucent's ADSs from the New York Stock Exchange, meaning they would not be tradable on any regulated securities exchange, and to commence the process of terminating the Alcatel-Lucent ADR program. Subject to applicable law, Alcatel-Lucent would also be de-registered under U.S. securities laws, which would mean significantly less information would be available about the company.

Following closing of the transaction, as previously announced, Nokia has stated that it plans a EUR 7 billion program to optimize its capital structure and return excess capital to Nokia shareholders. This program is planned to include approximately EUR 4 billion in distributions to Nokia shareholders. Nokia has no plans to provide capital returns to remaining holders of Alcatel-Lucent securities.

Nokia has expressed its intention to squeeze out the remaining shares if it reaches 95% ownership of the share capital and voting rights of Alcatel-Lucent. In addition, Nokia has expressed its intention to squeeze-out the remaining OCEANE convertible bonds if it reaches 95% ownership of Alcatel-Lucent's fully diluted shares.

In addition, Nokia has specified that it reserves the right, subject to applicable law to cause Alcatel Lucent to redeem at par value, plus, as applicable, accrued interest from the date the interest was last paid, to the date set for the early redemption all of the outstanding OCEANEs 2018, OCEANEs 2019 or OCEANEs 2020, if less than 15% of the issued OCEANEs of any such series remain outstanding.

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