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# 2008/09 HALF-YEAR RESULTS

**Puteaux – 28<sup>th</sup> November 2008:** NET2S (ISIN: FR0000075921), a consulting group specialised in the implementation of innovative solutions focusing on information and communication technology, today announces its consolidated results for its first half to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

## • Consolidated half-year results

In millions of euros –IFRS	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2008/09	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2007/08
Sales	43.4	40.9
Core operating profit	1.6	1.5
- as a % of sales	3.7%	3.7%
Cost of net financial debt	0.2	0.02
Tax charge	-0.7	-0.6
Net profit	0.9	1.0
- as a % of sales	2.0%	2.4%
EPS in euros <sup>1</sup>	0.06	0.07

As announced on  $12^{\text{th}}$  November 2008, sales for the  $1^{\text{st}}$  half of 2008/09 totalled  $\notin$ 43.4 million, giving organic growth of +6.1% compared to the figure of  $\notin$ 40.9 million recorded for the first half of 2007/08.

Up 1% on the same period last year, core operating profit totalled  $\leq$ 1.6 million, giving a core operating margin of 3.7% for the first half of 2008/2009, stable compared to the figure for the same period a year earlier.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Number of shares: 13,153,845 as of 30 Sept 2008 ; 12 988 808 as of 30 Sept 2007

After taxes are taken into account, net profit totalled  $\in 0.9$  million, giving a net margin of 2.0%.

The Group has a net debt balance of €0.6million at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

### • 2008/09 prospects

The NET2S Group is looking into how its integration into the BT Group will enable it to sustain and improve on its current profitable growth.

#### NET2S: <u>www.net2s.com</u>

NET2S is a consulting group specialized in the implementation of innovating solutions focusing on information and communication technologies, and a leading provider on the security market. Established in Paris, London, New York, Zurich, Brussels, Madrid and Casablanca, NET2S had 862 employees (including 699 consultants and engineers) at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008. The combination of technological solutions and cross-functional offers, with dedicated business lines, particularly in the finance and telecoms sectors, allows NET2S to offer its customers high value added.

NET2S is a BT group company.

#### About BT

BT is one of the world's leading providers of communications solutions and services operating in 170 countries. Its principal activities include the provision of networked IT services globally; local, national and international telecommunications services to our customers for use at home, at work and on the move; broadband and internet products and services and converged fixed/mobile products and services. BT consists principally of four lines of business: BT Global Services, Openreach, BT Retail and BT Wholesale.

In the year ended 31 March 2008, BT Group's revenue was £20,704 million with profit before taxation and specific items of £2,506 million.

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Results for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2008/09 will be published on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2009, after market