

**EUTELSAT COMMUNICATIONS' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF SHAREHOLDERS OF NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

- **Fiscal 2008-2009 consolidated accounts approved**
- **Distribution of 0.66 euro per share**
- **Appointment of Michel de Rosen to the Board of directors**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING FOLLOWING GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

- **Appointment of Michel de Rosen as Chief Executive Officer of Eutelsat Communications**

Paris, November 12, 2009

The 2009 Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Eutelsat Communications, (Euronext Paris: ETL), one of the world's leading satellite operators, was held on November 10 in Paris under the chairmanship of Giuliano Berretta, Chairman of the Board. The consolidated accounts for fiscal 2008-2009 were approved and the proposal to distribute 0.66 euro per share, an increase of 10% in relation to the previous year. This distribution, which represents a pay-out ratio of almost 59%, will be paid on November 19, 2009.

Shareholders also approved the nomination of Michel de Rosen to the Board of Directors for a duration of six years, ending at the Ordinary General meeting to approve the financial statements of the financial year ending June 30, 2015.

Following the General Assembly, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the appointment of Michel de Rosen as Group Chief Executive Officer for a duration of six years. In this post he succeeds Giuliano Berretta, whose term of office as CEO expired at the end of the General Meeting of Shareholders and whose mandate as Chairman of the Board continues. As non executive Chairman, Giuliano Berretta will no longer be involved in the day-to-day management of the group. From Group offices located in Rome where he will reside, he will work in coordination with the CEO on further consolidating Eutelsat's presence beyond France and in particular on promoting Eutelsat's business in Italy.

Giuliano Berretta declared: "The General Assembly and the meeting of the Board that followed have approved the appointment of Michel de Rosen as a new Board member and the CEO of our Group. These appointments are the result of a transition which has been smoothly executed since Michel's arrival at Eutelsat in July. Bringing new energy to a business model that has already demonstrated its strength, Michel has the full confidence of the Board that I continue to chair. I am convinced that his commitment at the head of the team that he now manages will enable Eutelsat to pursue its trajectory of growth, driven by excellence, innovation and renewed ambition".

### **About Eutelsat Communications**

Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is the holding company of Eutelsat S.A.. With capacity commercialised on 27 satellites that provide coverage over the entire European continent, as well as the Middle East, Africa, India and significant parts of Asia and the Americas, Eutelsat is one of the world's three leading satellite operators in terms of revenues. At 30 September 2009, Eutelsat's satellites were broadcasting 3,300 television channels and 1,100 radio stations. More than 1,000 channels broadcast via its HOT BIRD™ video neighbourhood at 13 degrees East which serves over 123 million cable and satellite homes in Europe, the Middle East and North Africa. The Group's satellites also serve a wide range of fixed and mobile telecommunications services, TV contribution markets, corporate networks, and broadband markets for Internet Service Providers and for transport, maritime and in-flight markets. Eutelsat's broadband subsidiary, Skylogic, markets and operates services through teleports in France and Italy that serve enterprises, local communities, government agencies and aid organisations in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas. Headquartered in Paris, Eutelsat and its subsidiaries employ 615 commercial, technical and operational employees from 28 countries.

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