

Reliance Globalcom Provides Low-Latency Ethernet Connectivity Services to Multilateral trading facilities in Europe

*Chi-X Europe, BATS Europe and NASDAQ OMX Europe are now connected on Reliance
Globalcom's financial connect*

LONDON – January 19, 2009 – [Reliance Globalcom](#), a leading global provider of managed network and application delivery services for multinational enterprises, carriers and consumers, today announced that it has connected its Ethernet-based financial extranet [FinancialConnect!](#) to the multilateral trading facilities (MTFs) [Chi-X Europe](#), [NASDAQ OMX Europe](#) and [BATS Europe](#). FinancialConnect! provides clients of the MTFs with high-speed, low-latency connectivity to real-time quote and trade information for the pan-European equities market.

“Chi-X Europe participants continue to enjoy substantially lower overall trading costs compared to the underlying exchanges as well as opportunities for potential price improvement, thanks in large part to the innovative third party vendors that have partnered with us,” said Hirander Misra, chief operating officer of Chi-X Europe. “We are pleased to welcome Reliance Globalcom’s global client base to our growing list of partners.”

“As the number of MTFs increases, so does our [FinancialConnect! provider list](#) with three to four new MTFs joining in the next few weeks,” said Punit Garg, president and CEO of Reliance Globalcom. “Reliance Globalcom has effectively delivered a financial extranet that leverages unsurpassed Ethernet connectivity to serve MTFs, algorithmic traders and main markets – all of whom are acutely aware of the value of a millisecond when executing trades. As fragmentation in the European equities market continues, our innovative and customer-focused offering appeals to all firms that are looking to service multiple venues.”

Paul O’Donnell, chief operating officer of BATS Europe, said, “We look forward to partnering with Reliance Globalcom and its clients for access to our highly efficient, low-latency trading platform. Using our successful US strategy as a blueprint, BATS Europe is committed to making markets better by providing easy access to BATS for all European market participants. Connecting to top financial extranet solutions such as FinancialConnect! is a key part of that strategy.”

“We are ensuring that traders on the European markets have the best experience when it comes to reliable, low-latency access to the growing number of platforms and venues available,” said Todd Golub, chief operating officer, NASDAQ OMX Europe. “We also look for solutions and expertise from providers like Reliance Globalcom who have the agility and ingenuity to quickly respond to ever-changing market needs.”

Reliance Globalcom's secure extranet [FinancialConnect!](#) supports global markets' demanding performance and reliability requirements by delivering speed, stability and security over a secure, global, fiber-based network. Reliance Globalcom has provided Ethernet connectivity services to BATS electronic communications service (ECN) since 2006. NASDAQ Stock Market Inc. has been a customer of Reliance Globalcom since January 2007.

About Chi-X[®] Europe

Chi-X Europe Limited, a subsidiary of Instinet Europe Limited, is an FSA-authorized securities firm operating as a multilateral trading facility (MTF) for the trading of a wide range of European equities. Chi-X Europe's low-cost, streamlined operating model is designed to help participants achieve ultra-low execution, clearing and settlement costs, and benchmark tests have shown the Chi-X Europe to be significantly faster than Europe's traditional equity exchanges. Chi-X Europe disseminates real-time market data to clients directly and via third-party market data vendors at no cost, and off-exchange trade reporting is available for a low monthly fee. For more information, please visit www.chi-x.com.

About BATS

BATS Holdings (BATS) is an innovative global financial markets technology company headquartered in the Kansas City, Mo., area with additional offices in New York and London.

The BATS platform was launched in January 2006 and, operating as BATS Exchange, Inc., is one of the fastest growing, top tier equity markets in the United States. BATS serves the European market through its London based, FSA-authorized subsidiary, BATS Europe, which operates a Multilateral Trading Facility for European securities. The BATS platform is internally developed by a dedicated core team of market and technology professionals, catering to the needs of the broker-dealer and trading community. BATS... Making Markets Better.

About NASDAQ OMX Europe

NASDAQ OMX Europe, the most competitively priced multilateral trading facility in Europe, is the first platform to connect European liquidity pools with Pan-European routing. Following the complete roll-out, NASDAQ OMX Europe will trade approximately 700 securities including constituents of the main European indices, ETFs and other highly liquid securities. For more information about NASDAQ OMX Europe, visit www.nasdaqomxeurope.com

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