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**HORIZON SATELLITE SERVICES BOOSTS CAPACITY WITH EUTELSAT FOR  
BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY IN MIDDLE EAST, AFRICA, ASIA**

**Horizon Satellite Services now present on three Eutelsat satellites: W6, W5, SESAT 2**

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Eutelsat, one of the world's leading satellite operators, today announced a new agreement with telecommunications service provider Horizon Satellite Services for capacity on Eutelsat's W6 satellite, which supplies a footprint optimised for Europe, North Africa, the Sahara, the Middle East and central Asia. Horizon Satellite Services has been using W5 since 2003 and last year also contracted with Eutelsat for capacity on its SESAT 2 satellite.

Headquartered in Dubai, Horizon Satellite Services specialises in enabling Internet Service Providers and enterprises to gain direct access to Tier-One Internet backbones. The company services clients through capacity on Eutelsat satellites via its wholly owned teleports in Germany and Luxembourg which are directly connected by fibre to Internet Access Points in Cologne, Luxembourg and Frankfurt.

"Horizon Satellite Services selected W6 to provide Internet backbone connectivity for ISPs located in the Middle East and central Asia, including Afghanistan and Iraq" said Hisham A. Ansari, Managing Director, of Horizon Satellite Services. "Satellites still remain by far the most efficient and cost-effective solution for direct connectivity to the Internet backbone in the regions where we focus our activity. W6 further extends the high reliability of our offer and complements the service we provide through Eutelsat's W5 and SESAT 2 satellites".

"Eutelsat is delighted to be strengthening its partnership with Horizon Satellite Services, a leading provider of telecommunications and broadband services in the Middle East, Asia and Africa. This new capacity contract consolidates our presence in regions with good opportunities for growth for satellite-based services," said Olivier Milliès-Lacroix, Commercial Director of Eutelsat S.A.

### **About Horizon Satellite Services**

Horizon Satellite Services (HSS) is a registered Satellite Space Segment Provider which caters to Middle East, Asia and African clients for Wide Area Networks and Internet via Satellite Services.

HSS with its Office in Dubai Internet City, Dubai, UAE, provides full regional support through its Network Operations Center for satellite links located in different parts of the Middle East, Asia and Africa. The Network Operation Center in Dubai operates on a 24hrs basis & monitors all the customers of HSS.

HSS operates its Own Teleport from Luxembourg & Germany with Open Transit Internet Backbone Connectivity.

HSS' client base currently includes some of the largest Corporations of the regions operating in the fields of defense, voice over Ip, distribution and internet service Providers (ISPs).

Current space segment coverage is provided through EUTELSAT (W5, SESAT 2 and W6) satellites.

[www.horizon-satellite.com](http://www.horizon-satellite.com)

### **About Eutelsat**

With capacity commercialised on 23 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. Its satellites are used for broadcasting more than 1,500 television and 800 radio stations to 120 million cable and satellite homes. They also serve requirements for TV contribution services, corporate networks, mobile positioning and communications, Internet backbone connectivity and broadband access for terrestrial, maritime and in-flight applications. Eutelsat's broadband subsidiary Skylogic markets and operates services through multimedia platforms in France and Italy that serve enterprises, local communities, government agencies and aid organisations in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas. Headquartered in Paris, and with staff of 450 commercial, technical and operational experts from 25 countries, Eutelsat generated turnover of €760 million for the 2003/2004 financial year.

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