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**ECI AND ERICSSON SELECTED BY DEIC (DANISH E-LEARNING COOPERATION)
TO SUPPLY A NEW OPTICAL NETWORK FOR DTU, THE DANISH NATIONAL RESEARCH AND
EDUCATION NETWORK (NREN)**

The network will ultimately cover all DeiC sites over the next ten years

Petach Tikva, Israel, January 25, 2017 --- ECI, a global provider of ELASTIC Network® solutions, announced today that, together with Ericsson, ECI has been selected by DeiC to provide a new, optical network for the Danish national research and education network (NREN). The advanced network will feature ECI's Apollo 9608 high speed optical transport solution coupled with local Ericsson service and support. This network will replace the current national backbone research network infrastructure across Denmark. This is the latest in a series of ECI/Ericsson wins.

"We wanted to move to a next generation network, with advanced capabilities that could easily, quickly and cost effectively be adapted for future requirements. ECI's Apollo solution offered a great fit to our requirements. Top quality service and support is of equal importance, and Ericsson's services organization with its local presence and global experience is known to provide the level of service we expect. We are confident that ECI and Ericsson will not only meet, but exceed, our expectations," said NREN manager Martin Bech, from DeiC.

ECI's Apollo platform provides state-of-the-art, transparent and flexible DWDM transport with integrated packet services. Apollo combines high performance, low latency, OTN transport and switching, with software configurable, colorless, directionless and gridless optical routing, for maximum efficiency.

"It was nice winning together with ECI," said Head of Ericsson Denmark Jorgen Alsing. "Ericsson and ECI have a good history of winning together in this sector. Not only are ECI's solutions market leading, but the support we received throughout the process was exemplary. It was a very positive experience working with the ECI team, and I am sure the future will offer us more opportunities to work together."

"We are delighted to partner with Ericsson to provide this new, next generation network for DeiC. The Apollo 9608 affords a winning combination of 1G/10G/100G/400G rates, Alien lambda support, flex-grid ROADMs and 88 channel muxponders. This future proof set of deliverables are all part of ECI's ELASTIC Network solutions, tailored to enable customers to meet the demands of today and easily expand to service those of tomorrow," said Fernando Valdivielso, General Manager, ECI, EMEA.

ABOUT ECI

ECI is a global provider of ELASTIC network solutions to CSPs, critical infrastructures as well as data center operators. Along with its long-standing, industry-proven packet-optical transport, ECI offers a variety of SDN/NFV applications, end-to-end network management, a comprehensive cyber security solution, and a range of professional services. ECI's ELASTIC solutions ensure open, future-proof, and secure communications. With ECI, customers have the luxury of choosing a network that can be tailor-made to their needs today while being flexible enough to evolve with the changing needs of tomorrow. For more information, visit us at www.ecitele.com.

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ABOUT ERICSSON

Ericsson is the driving force behind the Networked Society - a world leader in communications technology and services. Our long-term relationships with every major telecom operator in the world allow people, business and society to fulfill their potential and create a more sustainable future.

Our services, software and infrastructure - especially in mobility, broadband and the cloud - are enabling the telecom industry and other sectors to do better business, increase efficiency, improve the user experience and capture new opportunities.

With approximately 115,000 professionals and customers in 180 countries, we combine global scale with technology and services leadership. We support networks that connect more than 2.5 billion subscribers. Forty percent of the world's mobile traffic is carried over Ericsson networks. And our investments in research and development ensure that our solutions - and our customers - stay in front.

Founded in 1876, Ericsson has its headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden. Net sales in 2015 were SEK 246.9 billion (USD 29.4 billion). Ericsson is listed on NASDAQ OMX stock exchange in Stockholm and the NASDAQ in New York.

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