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**ECI® AND SPRINT S.A. PARTNER TO DEPLOY A GREENFIELD  
BROADBAND NETWORK IN POLAND**

*The project is part of the EU initiative to provide fast  
broadband access across Poland by 2020*

Petach, Tikvah, April 20, 2016 --- [ECI](#), a global provider of ELASTIC Network® solutions for service providers, utilities and data center operators, in partnership with [Sprint S.A.](#), one of the largest integrators in Poland delivering professional, carrier grade, end-to-end solutions to the country, announced today, that the companies have successfully deployed a greenfield broadband network in Sosnowiec, Poland.

The network in Sosnowiec is based on ECI's family of Packet-Optical transport solutions which combine high performance and low-latency with maximum efficiency. ECI provides a seamless, end-to-end solution for all services (Layers 1 – 3), all of which are managed simply and intuitively by ECI's, industry-proven, LightSOFT® network management system.

The \$5.6 million project is part of a larger project co-financed by the European Regional Development Fund called *Development of Information Society in Zagłębie Dąbrowskie – Municipality Sosnowiec, 2007-2013*. The project included the construction and organization of a fiber optic network, an IP-MPLS backbone, an access network and a network management center.

The project will ultimately provide local government and police infrastructures, academic institutions (kindergarten through university) and public institutions such as hospitals, sports arenas and cultural and arts centers, with the following broadband services:

- Internet access
- IP Telephony, Video Conferencing
- e-Commerce, e-Education, e-Government, e-Health
- Video Monitoring

“We selected ECI's Packet-Optical solution, because they are industry-proven with an impressive track record. In addition, the company has an excellent reputation for service. This has been a wonderful first project together. ECI not only met expectations, they exceeded

them. We look forward to working on many more projects together,” said Marek Kaminski, President of the Board from Sprint S.A.

Christian Erbe, Head of Municipality, Utility and Government Sector for ECI EMEA said, “We were honored that among the many choices it had, Sprint S.A. chose to partner with ECI to deliver a cost effective and dependable end-to-end solution to Sosnowiec. This is ECI’s first project in Poland. It is a privilege to be part of such an important initiative, one that will positively impact the lives of millions. Much in line with ECI’s ELASTIC Network® vision, we know that as the need for capacity, speed and security continue to grow throughout the EU, ECI will be there to help its customers to adapt to future telecommunications requirements, seamlessly, flexibly and cost effectively. ”

#### **ABOUT SPRINT S.A.**

Sprint combines telecommunication and IT skills, which place company in a section of rapidly developing corporations of cutting edge technologies. Sprint has been operating in the Polish market since 1988 and offers services in all regions as well as some other countries in Europe. Sprint S.A. currently employs almost 800 workers. Company ensures compliance with the European Union standards and NATO.

#### **ABOUT ECI**

ECI is a global provider of ELASTIC Network solutions to CSPs, utilities 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 as well as be seamlessly and cost effectively upgraded to future requirements. For more information, visit us at [www.ecitele.com](http://www.ecitele.com).

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