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Eutelsat OneWeb and Hanwha Systems sign distribution agreement for the delivery of satellite connectivity in South Korea

- Agreement will deliver high-speed, low-latency connectivity to Hanwha Systems customers across South Korea
- Low earth orbit satellite constellation is well suited to connect hard-to-reach places in South Korea -- delivering vital services to mountainous areas and islands, as well as at sea and air

Seoul, South Korea – 29 November 2023: Hanwha Systems announced that it

has signed a distribution partnership agreement with Eutelsat OneWeb, part of Eutelsat Group, the world's first GEO-LEO satellite operator, to provide high-speed, low latency connectivity services to South Korea.

Hanwha Systems is pursuing participation in the 'commercial low-orbit satellite-based communication system' project that secures a Korean government network using Eutelsat OneWeb's satellite network and is also installing satellite communication terminals in remote areas where internet access is difficult, as well as at sea and in the air. Through Eutelsat OneWeb and Hanwha's B2B satellite communication services customers will receive stable 'Space Internet' services 24 hours a day from low-orbit satellites.

Song Seong-chan, director of Hanwha Systems' Space Research Institute, said, "The 'Space Internet' service promoted by Hanwha Systems provides uninterrupted and smooth communication in emergency situations such as islands and mountainous regions with poor infrastructure, disasters, and times of war, and its usability value shines. We expect that construction of the government low-orbit communication network, which is being promoted as a priority project, will be completed as early as the end of next year before government roll out," he said.

Cyril Dujardin, Co-General Manager of Eutelsat OneWeb, said "Adding Eutelsat OneWeb's high speed, low latency connectivity to Hanwha's portfolio gives customers highly reliable internet access, regardless of location. This will allow them to provide local internet and communications services to areas currently with little or no connection, including for crucially important emergency services requirements. We look forward to working with Hanwha as they explore the potential for further use cases of our unique technology."

Hanwha Systems announced plans to take steps to obtain approval for the government's landing right, which is the Korean cross-border provision of key telecommunications services. The satellite communication network's frequencies and orbits are secured through international registration with the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). When using an overseas satellite network, approval for landing rights must be obtained from the Korean government to prevent national security threats.

Hanwha Systems completed registration as a communications business with the Ministry of Science and Technology last July and plans to submit a landing right agreement with Eutelsat Group at the end of this month.

About Hanwha Systems

[Hanwha Systems](#) is the representative company of the Republic of Korea ranging with the world-class companies in various business areas based on avionics and space, security and safety, and information systems service. Hanwha Systems has Defense Division and ICT Division with the customer value being the top priority.

Hanwha Systems is developing Low-Earth Orbit (LEO) satellite communication antennas based on its high-tech communication, sensor capabilities. LEO satellite constellations communication is one of the most promising future technologies that will provide high speed internet services via satellite constellations circling the Earth and realize the vision of the space internet.

About Eutelsat OneWeb

[Eutelsat OneWeb](#) is a subsidiary of Eutelsat Group, the global leader in satellite communications delivering connectivity and broadcast services worldwide. The Group was formed through the combination of Eutelsat and OneWeb in 2023, becoming the first fully integrated GEO-LEO satellite operator with a fleet of 36 Geostationary satellites and a low Earth orbit constellation of more than 600 satellites.

The Group addresses the needs of customers in four key verticals of Video, where it distributes more than 6,500 television channels, and the high-growth connectivity markets of Mobile Connectivity, Fixed Connectivity, and Government Services.

Eutelsat Group's unique suite of in-orbit and on-ground assets enables it to deliver integrated solutions to meet the needs of global customers. The Company is headquartered in Paris and Eutelsat Group employs more than 1,700 people from 50 different nationalities. The Group is committed to delivering safe, resilient, and environmentally sustainable connectivity to help bridge the digital divide. The Company is listed on the Euronext Paris Stock Exchange (ticker: ETL) and the London Stock Exchange

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