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# Eutelsat saddened to announce passing of former Chairman and CEO, Giuliano Berretta

An engineer by training, a graduate of the University of Padua, a passionate visionary and tireless builder, Giuliano Berretta played a key role in Eutelsat's history. He joined the company in 1990 as Commercial Director, became CEO in 1998, and Chairman of the Management Board in 2001.

He was instrumental in transforming Eutelsat, leading the company's privatization and stock market listing in 2005, thereby consolidating its position as a global leader in satellite telecommunications. Under his

leadership, Eutelsat successfully combined technical excellence, innovation, and international expansion, including the development of the EUTELSAT HOTBIRD orbital position at 13° East and the launch of the pioneering KA-SAT satellite for broadband services in Europe.

During his years at the helm of Eutelsat, Giuliano Berretta was a staunch advocate for European cooperation and the growth of the space sector. An honorary Doctor of Science in Management from the University of Bologna and honorary professor in Lima, he was passionate about technological advances and inspired by the visionary work of Arthur C. Clarke. Throughout his career, he contributed significantly to shaping the future of satellite communications.

Knight of the Legion of Honour in 2005 and Cavaliere del Lavoro in Italy in 2006, Giuliano Berretta leaves behind the legacy of a bold and respected leader.

## Eva Berneke, Chief Executive Officer of Eutelsat, stated:

"Giuliano Berretta not only left a mark on Eutelsat's history but also on the entire European space industry. His vision, his sense of innovation, and his commitment to cooperation have profoundly shaped our company. He will always be remembered as a model of leadership and passion for space. Our thoughts are with his family and loved ones. »

Eutelsat extends its deepest condolences to his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of working alongside him.

## About Eutelsat Group

Eutelsat Group is a global leader in satellite communications, delivering connectivity and broadcast services worldwide. The Group was formed through the combination of the Company and OneWeb in 2023, becoming the first fully integrated GEO-LEO satellite operator with a fleet of 35 Geostationary satellites and a Low Earth Orbit (LEO) 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 assets and ground infrastructure enables it to deliver integrated solutions to meet the needs of global customers. The Company is headquartered in Paris and the Eutelsat Group employs more than 1,500 people across more than 50 countries. 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 (ticker: ETL)

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