HISPASAT will provide a connection to 8,700 public spaces in rural areas of Mexico

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Madrid, 19 May 2015. HISPASAT, the Spanish satellite telecommunications operator, announced today that it has signed an agreement with the Mexican telecommunications company GlobalSat to provide broadband Internet access to more than 8,700 public spaces in rural or remote Mexican towns and villages. This number encompasses three of the four areas that form part of the 10K Network, an initiative of the México Conectado project, which was set up by the Secretariat of Communications and Transport (SCT). This network aims to provide Internet access to more than 10,000 schools, health centres, libraries, community centres and other public facilities in Mexico located in towns and villages that do not have broadband connectivity.

Since 2013, the HISPASAT Group's Amazonas 2 satellite has been delivering services to the 10K network in the fourth area, which covers almost 1,700 points.

Thanks to this new multi-transponder agreement with GlobalSat, the Amazonas 2 and 3 satellites will now offer the necessary capacity over the next few years to provide a broadband connection to the communities where these spaces are located, and give Internet access to the villages found there.

Ignacio Sanchis, Chief Commercial Officer of HISPASAT, thanked GlobalSat for "*the trust placed in HISPASAT with this agreement. This project consolidates HISPASAT's leadership in digital inclusion programs in Mexico and, more broadly, in Latin America as a whole*".

GlobalSat CEO Eric Cataño stated that "*SCT's 10K Network is one of the company's most important projects, and we are delighted to have a partner like HISPASAT on board to face it with the greatest guarantees of success*".

Satellites are the best infrastructure for ensuring universal access to the Internet. By simply installing a small antenna, a user from a remote geographical area, or locations where the roll-out of land infrastructures is too expensive, can have access to broadband services that would normally only be found in large towns and cities. Satellites are therefore a fundamental tool to reduce the digital divide in these areas, giving them the possibility to connect with the rest of the world, access the Information Society and strengthen their economic and social development.

About GlobalSat

GlobalSat is a Mexican telecommunications company with over 12 years of experience in this sector, and, as the largest satellite network in the country, is the main satellite Internet provider for SMEs, corporations and the government.

Our Mission is to provide specialised and reliable connectivity solutions anywhere in Mexico.

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About HISPASAT Group

HISPASAT Group is comprised of companies that have a presence in Spain as well as in Latin America, where its Brazilian affiliate HISPAMAR is based. The Group is a world leader in the distribution and broadcasting of Spanish and Portuguese content, and its satellite fleet is used by important direct-to-home television (DTH) and high-definition television (HDTV) digital platforms. HISPASAT also provides satellite broadband services and other added value solutions to governments, corporations and telecommunication operators in America, Europe and North Africa. HISPASAT is one of the world's largest companies in its sector in terms of revenue, and the main communications bridge between Europe and the Americas.

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