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Atrium Network launches 'Exchange Ring' - ultra low latency access to multiple London MTF and Exchange venues

London, 9 March 2009 - Atrium Network, provider of smarter connectivity for the financial community, today announced the completion of the first critical phase in its launch of 'Exchange Ring', its ultra low latency connectivity to multiple trading venues. Exchange Ring offers a fabric of dark fibre connectivity to each of the main liquidity venues. NYSE Euronext is the first venue to be connected and Atrium Network will be introducing dark fibre connectivity to the other MTF venues including Chi-X Europe, BATS Trading, Turquoise and other European exchanges.

In the current landscape of market fragmentation, participant firms trading on MTFs require the lowest possible latency. Each of the MTFs has chosen various data centre locations at which to locate their matching engines. As such, participants may have committed significant capital investment to ensure engine co-location at every venue. If US experience is any guide, the European market may anticipate a number of changes: mergers and acquisitions, new entrants and potential closure of existing entrants. As a consequence, these co-location capital and resource commitments may prove redundant. In response, Atrium Network has launched Exchange Ring, an interconnectivity fabric designed to mitigate the risk of any unnecessary co-location investment and ensuring lowest possible latency access to all available trading venues.

Commenting on the announcement, Emmanuel Carjat, CEO of Atrium Network said, "At Atrium Network we are continually innovating to anticipate market developments and are delighted to announce this first critical phase in rolling out Exchange Ring. In times of economic uncertainty and market volatility, the pressure to minimise risk and capitalise on the trading opportunities presented by these new MTFs is greater than ever. Exchange Ring's ultra low latency offers firms a competitive advantage over other firms relying on older connectivity technology."

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Notes to Editors:**About Atrium Network**

Atrium Network™ provides smarter connectivity solutions for the financial community. Atrium Network provides client and industry connectivity via its extranet services (a single point of contact to exchanges, MTFs, clearing houses, CSDs and market data providers), dealer desk trading technology and corporate technology (internet and intranet solutions). Clients benefit from fast, robust, secure, easy to install, scaleable and price competitive solutions and services. Atrium Network is headquartered in Luxembourg with offices in London, New York and Paris. <http://www.atriumnetwork.com>