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**Atrium Network's Exchange Ring enhances connectivity to include NASDAQ OMX Europe**

London, 24 September 2009 - Atrium Network, provider of smarter connectivity for the financial community, announced today that it has enhanced its 'Exchange Ring' connectivity to include NASDAQ OMX Europe's new dark pool, NEURO Dark. This builds on Atrium Network's strategic expansion to provide dark fibre connectivity to all available trading venues and offer ultra low latency connectivity through a single connection to the Exchange Ring.

Commenting on the Exchange Ring extension, Emmanuel Carjat, CEO of Atrium Network said, "Enhancing the connection to NASDAQ OMX Europe is a further step in Atrium Network's development of Exchange Ring. At Atrium Network we fully support efforts by NASDAQ OMX and other industry participants, to provide greater competition in trading, clearing and settlement. However, choice can only be realised through connectivity and we are delighted to improve our client's connectivity by offering sub-millisecond access to NASDAQ OMX Europe. 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, multigigabit scalability, offers firms seeking a competitive advantage over other firms relying on older connectivity technology."

Commenting on the announcement, Charlotte Crosswell, President of NASDAQ OMX Europe said, "We are delighted that Atrium Network's diverse customer base is now well positioned to connect to NASDAQ OMX Europe. We welcome the efforts that Atrium Network is making to provide single point low latency connectivity solutions for the financial services industry."

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**About Atrium Network**

Atrium Network™ provides smarter connectivity solutions for the financial community.

Atrium Network offers client and industry connectivity via its extranet services (a single point of access to exchanges, MTFs, ECNs, clearing houses, CSDs, brokers and market data providers), as well as corporate technology (internet and intranet solutions). With a focus on reducing complexity and improving operational excellence, Atrium Network provides a range of innovative access options and the ability to self-provision.

Atrium Network is the market leader in providing an ultra low latency connectivity solution to multiple trading venues. Their 'Exchange Ring' offers a fabric of dark fibre connectivity to each of the main liquidity venues and is designed to mitigate the risk of any unnecessary co-location investment and ensure lowest possible latency access to all available trading venues.

Atrium Network currently has a presence in Europe, North America and South America. Atrium Network is headquartered in Luxembourg with offices in London, New York and Paris. For more information, please view Atrium Network's website at [www.atriumnetwork.com](http://www.atriumnetwork.com).

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