

FIXNETIX PRESS RELEASE:

Fixnetix rolls out the first dedicated 10Gb+ point-to-point fibre network to connect all major European trading venues

- **Leading provider of ultra-low latency market data and trading connectivity services implements DWDM network with up to 80 Gigabits of capacity to support next generation trading requirements**

12th January, 2009: Fixnetix, the leading provider of ultra-low latency market data and trading connectivity services, has announced details of a major programme to upgrade its European network to support dramatically increasing trade volumes. Already the performance leader for end-to-end market data provision and trading access, Fixnetix will upgrade its current European infrastructure to a DWDM network capable of offering up to 80 Gigabits of capacity in order to support increasing market traffic volumes, which are currently growing at between five and ten percent per month.

Fixnetix's major network upgrade will be rolled out across Europe, directly connecting the co-location facilities of exchanges and MTFs across all the major financial centres. The upgrade is scheduled for completion by the end of February 2009.

"At Fixnetix we're committed to setting the performance standard, so we're investing significantly in our network infrastructure to ensure that we continue to offer the market's fastest, most reliable and most cost-effective connections to all the major European stock exchange and MTF venues," commented Hugh Hughes, Fixnetix's Chief Executive Officer. "Recent market volatility has obviously contributed to a dramatic growth in trading, and we expect this to continue. That's why we're future-proofing our business with an 80 Gigabit DWDM infrastructure that will not only support the next generation of trading, but also clearly signal Fixnetix as the de facto choice for customers looking for proven ultra-low latency performance guaranteed by SLAs that incorporate the most advanced latency monitoring.

“As one of the few remaining independent providers of low latency market data and trading infrastructure connectivity to financial institutions such as investment banks and hedge funds, we’re able to retain our focus on providing best-of-breed components - such as DWDM networking – across our complete offering, giving customers the re-assurance that comes from a single SLA for our end-to-end service that can be delivered on the wire to speed delivery, simplify integration and reduce overall costs,” he continued. “By creating a 10 Gigabit plus European network based on DWDM, we’ve been able to facilitate the development of our hosted DMA solution for data and trading to all the major Exchange & MTF venues – thus allowing our clients to trade faster at each co-location venue.”

DWDM (Dense Wave Division Multiplexing) technology supports the transmission of multiple data-streams over a fibre-optic medium via a spectrum of colours or waves, rather than the traditional single on/off (binary/digital) signalling of fibre-optic transmitters. Supporting up to 80 Gigabits per second of capacity, DWDM services offer a particularly cost-effective means of offering flexible, high speed links, providing the necessary underlying capacity, but also the flexibility needed to keep with expanding demand and next generation technology requirements.

About Fixnetix:

Fixnetix is the leading provider of low latency market data and trading infrastructure connectivity to financial institutions such as investment banks and hedge funds. Fixnetix solutions deliver proven end-to-end performance ensuring minimal latency to all major trading venues in Europe and worldwide. Fixnetix delivers data in multiple formats, with sub-millisecond transformation if required, with services provided on the wire for reduced support costs, delivery times and ease of integration.

Whether co-located as close as possible to any exchange or MTF using Fixnetix's @Source hosting, or connecting via the company's Ethernet and fibre network, financial institutions can leverage Fixnetix's high bandwidth connectivity without routing or hops for lowest latency direct access. For more information about Fixnetix, please visit

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