



**PRESS RELEASE** 

# PLANETEL AND VODAFONE ITALIA SIGN FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR USE OF THE ULTRA-HIGH SPEED OPTIC FIBRE NETWORK

# Initial works for connection of network nodes defined

Treviolo (Bergamo), 7 May 2023 – Planetel S.p.A., ("the Company" or "Planetel"), the parent company of the group of the same name operating nationwide in the telecommunications sector, listed on **Euronext Growth Milan**, the multilateral trading system organised and run by Borsa Italiana S.p.A., announces that it has signed a multi-annual framework agreement with Vodafone Italia granting the IRU (*Indefeasible Right of Use*) for some sections of the fibre optic network.

The initial works for connection of the Vodafone Italia 4G and 5G mobile network base stations in the provinces of Bergamo, Brescia and Verona in accordance with the framework contract have already been planned in detail. This will enable Vodafone to offer its mobile network customers a higher-capacity service with better latency.

The strategic agreement forms part of Planetel's broader cooperation with the leading mobile and optic fibre network operators with a strong local presence for the use of infrastructure already in place on the ground, with a view to developing synergies in the use of networks and generating an even higher return on Planetel's infrastructure investments and fully exploiting the strategic opportunities these partnerships bring.

**Bruno Pianetti, Chairman and CEO of Planetel S.p.A.** – "We are delighted to start a major partnership for the use of our ultra high-speed fibre backbone with a top player like Vodafone Italia. The agreement follows on from those already entered into with other national operators, which our Company has provided with connections to cover their 5G radio base stations and FTTH access networks. We are very happy that this new agreement enables us to even further optimise the return on our infrastructure investments. Today Planetel is a listed company with a very different structure and consolidated, respected know-how, able to create value by means of telecommunications infrastructures, and we are enthusiastic about this renewed confidence on the part of the major operators, which will enable us to fulfil our commitment to supply our customers with a quality service."

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This press release is available from Borsa Italiana S.p.A., from the company's registered office and in the *Investitori / Investor Relations / Financial Press Releases* section of the website <a href="www.planetel.it">www.planetel.it</a>. For its compulsory reporting, Planetel uses the eMarket SDIR circuit managed by Teleborsa s.r.l., with registered office at Piazza Priscilla 4, Rome.

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Holding company of a group that offers telecommunication services at national level, **Planetel S.p.A.** has developed a proprietary fibre optic network for the ultra-broadband connectivity of about 262 municipalities and provides TLC/IT services to about 47,540 customers in Lombardy, Veneto and Campania, through a multi-channel approach. Among the first Italian Internet Service Providers (ISP and WISP) to gradually develop its position in the telecommunication and system integration market, the company has been able to stand out on the territory as a single player offering integrated digital solutions, ASP / Cloud services and other IT solutions. Planetel, formerly a national phone operator, can now provide Business, Wholesale and Residential customers with fibre optic network connections, with the most advanced ultra-broadband connectivity and integrated communication solutions with FTTH-FTTP (Fibre to the Home – Fibre to the Premises) network architectures; its offer covers the entire value chain of ICT services that allows companies to accelerate their digitization process and time-to-market. Planetel's primary assets include a fibre optic network of approximately 2,416 Km. – CLOUD infrastructure in 3 Datacentres – 140 Planetel Points in 110 Municipalities – 1,141 Cabinets on the ground, etc.

Planetel's main goal is the strategic development of a high-speed proprietary backbone – up to 1.4Tb/s – which will allow more stable, faster and more secure connections with a guarantee of greater continuity of service for its customers.

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