



Ross McInnes appointed to Board of Eutelsat Communications

Paris, 7 February 2013 - Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL) today announced that Ross McInnes has been co-opted to the Board as an independent director. He replaces Olivier Rozenfeld who has resigned his seat after almost three years as an independent director. Ross McInnes will also assume the chairmanship of the Audit Committee that was previously chaired by Olivier Rozenfeld.

Ross McInnes, an Australian and French national, is Deputy CEO of Safran, the aerospace, defence and security company headquartered in Paris. Prior to joining Safran, in 2009, he was Vice-Chairman of Macquarie Capital (Europe) based in London and Paris. Previous executive appointments include Executive Board member, Finance and Strategy at PPR (Pinault, Printemps, Redoute), CFO of Thales and CFO of Eridania Beghin-Say. He is also a Board member of Faurecia, and Générale de Santé.

Jean-Martin Folz, Chairman of the Board, said: *"We are delighted to welcome Ross to the Board. His international profile and business and financial experience, including in the aerospace sector, add new weight to our skills as we assess prospects for the continued growth of Eutelsat. I also take this opportunity to express the Board's sincere appreciation to Olivier Rozenfeld for his significant contribution to our work over the last years."*

The appointment of Ross McInnes will be submitted for approval to the next shareholders' meeting.

About Eutelsat Communications (www.eutelsat.com)

Eutelsat Communications is the holding company of Eutelsat S.A. With capacity commercialised on 30 satellites delivering reach of Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, significant parts of the Americas and the Asia-Pacific, Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is one of the world's leading satellite operators. As of 30 September 2012 Eutelsat's satellites were broadcasting more than 4,400 television channels to over 200 million cable and satellite homes in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. The Group's satellites also provide a wide range of services for TV contribution, corporate networks and fixed and mobile broadband markets. Headquartered in Paris, Eutelsat and its subsidiaries employ over 750 commercial, technical and operational professionals from 30 countries.

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