

## **Persian-language Manoto TV completes switch to Eutelsat satellites Manoto TV now broadcasting exclusively from EUTELSAT 7B and HOTBIRD neighbourhood**

**Paris, 30 January 2017** – Manoto TV, the popular Persian-language channel, has completed its switch in SD and HD versions to the EUTELSAT 7B satellite operated by Eutelsat Communications (NYSE Euronext Paris: ETL). The channel is now available exclusively from Eutelsat's HOTBIRD satellites and EUTELSAT 7B that together form a single neighbourhood for Persian-speaking viewers in Europe, the Middle East and Iran.

Broadcasting documentaries, films, series, original entertainment and news, the London-based free-to-air channel owned by Marjan Television Network has rapidly gained market share since its launch on HOTBIRD in 2010.

### ***Exceptional line-up of Persian-language content***

More than two million HOTBIRD homes in Iran are already equipped for dual-feed reception from HOTBIRD and the adjacent EUTELSAT 7B satellite in order to benefit from the superior image quality of Manoto TV in HD and a diverse line-up of free-to-air content.

Ghassan Murat, Vice President Business Development & Strategy, Eutelsat Middle East said:

*"Eutelsat is proud to consolidate our exclusive relationship with Manoto TV and in doing so to add to the unrivalled line-up of quality Persian content that viewers can watch using a single dish pointed to our popular HOTBIRD satellites and EUTELSAT 7B."*

Robert Le Merle, Manoto's Operations Director added: *"Manoto TV has become the most popular Persian-language channel by staying ahead of the competition. Viewer expectations are rising all the time. The audience won't settle for cheap pop-up channels anymore. We want to deliver the best experience for our viewers with larger scale production and high resolution pictures. We are working with Eutelsat to deliver premium quality entertainment into this growing market. Many satellite providers in this territory can only grab short-term opportunities. We need to work with a company that has a vision for the future. Eutelsat shares our vision."*

### **About Eutelsat Communications**

Established in 1977, Eutelsat Communications (Euronext Paris: ETL, ISIN code: FR0010221234) is one of the world's leading and most experienced operators of communications satellites. The company provides capacity on 39 satellites to clients that include broadcasters and broadcasting associations, pay-TV operators, video, data and

Internet service providers, enterprises and government agencies. Eutelsat's satellites provide ubiquitous coverage of Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia-Pacific and the Americas, enabling video, data, broadband and government communications to be established irrespective of a user's location. Headquartered in Paris, with offices and teleports around the globe, Eutelsat represents a workforce of 1,000 men and women from 37 countries who are experts in their fields and work with clients to deliver the highest quality of service.

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