Ekinops Upgrades IKOULA Data Center Interconnection Links Enabling Cloud Services on French Network

Paris, November 16ᵗʰ, 2021 – Ekinops (Euronext Paris - FR0011466069 – EKI), a leading supplier of optical transport systems and access network solutions, today announces it has been chosen by IKOULA—a cutting edge French Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS) provider of dedicated servers, outsourced cloud computing, web and cloud hosting services since 1998—to upgrade its backbone network between data centers to support the tremendous growth in customer traffic.

"The heart of IKOULA's activity is to support the many requests from our customers without increasing the response time, while providing a second to none quality Cloud infrastructure," **said Ludovic Berrier, IKOULA Network Manager.**

Ekinops is delivering the PM 200FRS02 200G FlexRate™ coherent line card for IKOULA to upgrade its existing Ekinops chassis that are already transporting traffic on multiple 10G cards. The line card is used in 100G mode, de facto instantly multiplying the capacity of this line by a factor of ten to handle the current traffic load.

"IKOULA is positioned as a dominant cloud player on the French market and is happy to be able to rely on French technology from Ekinops," added **Ludovic Berrier**.

IKOULA has been using Ekinops equipment for its core network for over ten years, connecting data centers in Reims and Eppes and an Internet point-of-presence (PoP) in Paris. Having grown since the initial installation to 25,000 active customers in over 60 countries on 4 continents, IKOULA recognized the need to upgrade its backbone network in order to maintain its customers' high quality of experience despite the increased demand. The PM 200FRS02 FlexRate card can be installed in the same chassis used by 10G saving IKOULA both the cost of new shelves as well as the time and cost of deploying and commissioning the new hardware. A long record of performance, simplicity of deployment, short lead times and exemplary execution were all factors in IKOULA's decision to upgrade with Ekinops.

"Our optical transport solutions enable service providers to radically transform the speed of their networks," says **Thierry Varona, Sales Director France at Ekinops**. "The FlexRate technology will allow IKOULA to more easily adapt to continued service growth without compromising on quality of service."

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Ekinops is a leading provider of open and fully interoperable Layer 1, 2 and 3 solutions to service providers around the world. Our programmable and highly scalable solutions enable the fast, flexible and cost-effective deployment of new services for both high-speed, high-capacity optical transport as well as virtualization-enabled managed enterprise services.

Our product portfolio consists of three highly complementary product and service sets: EKINOPS360, OneAccess and Compose.

EKINOPS360 provides optical transport solutions for metro, regional and long-distance networks with WDM for high-capacity point-to-point, ring and optical mesh architectures, and OTN for improved bandwidth utilization and efficient multi-service aggregation.

OneAccess offers a wide choice of physical and virtualized deployment options for Layer 2 and Layer 3 access network functions.

Compose supports service providers in making their networks software-defined with a variety of software management tools and services, including the scalable SD-WAN Xpress.

As service providers embrace SDN and NFV deployment models, Ekinops enables future-proofed deployment today, enabling operators to seamlessly migrate to an open, virtualized delivery model at a time of their choosing.

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