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**Teleforum chooses Jersey's Graeme Millar
to chair the global organisation for the next two years**

The Forum for Telecom Operators of Small States (Teleforum) has elected the Chief Executive of JT, the Jersey-based telecoms operator, Graeme Millar, as its chairman.

Graeme was appointed to the newly created role at Teleforum's 27th conference held on 6 and 7 June in the Finnish Åland Islands. Teleforum brings together 18 operators from as far apart as Suriname, the Cape Verde Islands and Luxembourg and provides its diverse membership with a way to share their experiences, and tackle some of the unique challenges which small operators face in the global market.

As well as highlighting areas of common experience and lobbying for common interests, Teleforum encourages knowledge sharing, consultations, pooling of resources and discussions on the legal, regulatory, technical and commercial environment of the telecommunications industry in small states. Discussions and workshops are held several times a year at which members and major players in the industry engage, identify solutions and training needs and benefit from each other's experiences. The organisation has held 27 meetings since its formation in 2000.

Graeme has said that his focus over the next two years will be to lead in supporting member organisations and providing a strong voice on the international stage for small state operators. "On a professional level, the election is a great honour. There are a number of challenges and technological advances on the immediate horizon which will have a unique impact on smaller jurisdictions and this is a valuable forum which allows us to learn from

each other, work together to reduce costs and build joint platforms to reduce the impact of subscale operations,” said Graeme.

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About Teleforum

The Forum for Telecom Operators of Small States, known as the ‘Teleforum’ was established in 2000. It was set up by a group of leading telecom executives to share experiences, address issues faced by small operators, undertake group initiatives and lobby for common interests.

The organisation has established itself as a meaningful force in the telecommunications industry by implementing initiatives that promote the successful growth and development of its members.

The Forum for Telecom Operators of Small States provides opportunities to its participants who, although operating in small economies, are keeping pace with technology and continue to grow from strength to strength.

Membership is open to registered telecommunications operators who are national incumbents or former incumbents established in small states, territories or dependencies having a population which does not exceed 2 million inhabitants. There are currently 18-member companies spanning from Europe to the Caribbean. <http://www.teleforum.org/>

About Graeme Millar, CEO JT Group Limited, Jersey, Channel Islands

Graeme Millar joined the JT Group in 2009 and has almost 30 years of experience in the telecoms industry. His knowledge of the international telecoms market is grounded in these many years of experience in various locations. Prior to his role as CEO of JT, he was Chief Commercial Officer Russia for MTS, Russia's largest mobile telephone operator with over 70 million subscribers.

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