

## Press Release

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### EuropeanIssuers Welcomes a New Member: Association of Bulgarian Investor Relations Directors

EuropeanIssuers, representing the interests of publicly quoted companies across Europe, is pleased to announce that the Association of Bulgarian Investor Relations Directors (ABIRD) has joined as a member following the approval of EuropeanIssuers Board of Directors on 19 February 2020.

EuropeanIssuers Chairman, Mr. Luc Vansteenkiste welcomed ABIRD and stated: *“We are extremely pleased to welcome ABIRD as a new member of EuropeanIssuers. ABIRD’s membership will strengthen our efforts in establishing an adapted regulatory environment and a better access to finance for European corporates.”*

ABIRD is the only professional organisation gathering the Investor Relations (IR) Directors in Bulgaria. It establishes cooperation among all IR Directors in the listed companies in Bulgaria and advances their qualifications while improving the information disclosure standards. ABIRD integrates the achievements of the EU countries in the field of capital markets in the Bulgarian capital market. It also aims to improve the corporate governance standards and corporate social responsibility practices in Bulgarian companies.

ABIRD’s Chairwoman Ms. Daniele Peeva noted the value of ABIRD’s membership to EuropeanIssuers by adding: *“It is a pleasure to rely on the expertise and knowledge of such an important stakeholder in Europe and collaborate on building well-functioning European capital markets and proper calibration of corporate governance requirements for our businesses.”*

According to Bulgarian Stock Exchange (BSE) data dated January 2020, Bulgaria’s market represents a capitalisation of €4,567,256,089.00 and 261 companies are listed on BSE.

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#### NOTES TO EDITORS

##### About EuropeanIssuers

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