

## FTTH Council Europe actively supports telecom operators in their fibre deployment

Brussels, 31 October 2014 - Fibre to the Home (FTTH) is not just about speed and doing the same things faster. FTTH enables a wide range of services and applications and brings wider benefits to society and its citizens, the economic health of communities and nations.

In line with the objective to create a connected continent and provide a brighter future for all citizens, the FTTH Council Europe strengthened its support to operators who wish to deploy FTTH, by welcoming them to join the organisation as “**Operator Observers**”. This new status is open to European network operators, including utility companies and municipal organisations.

“This is a good tool to ensure a further push for FTTH on the continent. We call operators all over Europe to take advantage of this opportunity”, says Karin Ahl, President of the FTTH Council Europe.

Already two operators have joined the FTTH Council Europe, starting with **Hawe**, Poland’s first carrier's carrier and Incumbent **Andorra Telecom**. Marcin Kubit, President of **Hawe** says: “The FTTH Council Europe has proven to be a great platform to exchange ideas and gain inside knowledge about what is happening and who is doing what in the FTTH roll out in Europe. We in Hawe are glad to be a partaker.”

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### About the FTTH Council Europe

The FTTH Council Europe is an industry organisation with a mission to accelerate the availability of fibre-based, ultra-high-speed access networks to consumers and businesses. The Council promotes this technology because it will deliver a flow of new services that enhance the quality of life, contribute to a better environment and increase economic competitiveness. The FTTH Council Europe consists of more than 150 member companies. [www.ftthcouncil.eu](http://www.ftthcouncil.eu)

### About the FTTH Conference 2015

Combining top-level presentations with an exhibition and unparalleled networking opportunities, the FTTH Conference is the largest FTTH-focused event in the world, attracting more than 3,000 participants. The 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the FTTH Conference is to be held in Warsaw’s international exhibition centre EXPO XXI from 10 to 12 February 2015, under the special theme “Creating a Connected Continent”. The event has secured patronages from the Polish Ministry of Infrastructure and Development (MIR - Ministerstwo Infrastruktury i Rozwoju), Poland's Ministry of Administration and Digitization (MAC - Ministerstwo Administracji i Cyfryzacji) and the Office of Electronic Communications (UKE - Urząd Komunikacji Elektronicznej).

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