

PRESS RELEASE

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Digi Communications NV Group Announces an Increase of 9% in EBITDA, and of 5% in Revenues in the First Half of 2018 as Compared to the First Half of 2017

- **+ 9.1% adjusted EBITDA (First Half 2018 as compared to First Half 2017)**
- **+ 4.8 % consolidated Group revenue (June 30th 2018 as compared to June 30th 2017)**
- **+ 6% RGUs (Revenue Generating Units) for all services (June 30th 2018 as compared to June 30th 2017)**
- **+ 10 % RGUs for mobile phone services (June 30th 2018 as compared to June 30th 2017)**
- **Romania remains the main market of the Group (70% of consolidated revenue)**
- **+7.7% increase in cable TV subscriptions and +9.4% in internet services and fixed data subscriptions (June 30th 2018 as compared to June 30th 2017) in Romania**
- **3.15 million cable TV subscribers (June 30th 2018)**
- **+ 51% RGUs in Spain and Italy (June 30th 2018 as compared to June 30th 2017)**

Digi Communications NV Group published on Tuesday, August 14th, its financial results for the first half of 2018, announcing an increase of 4.8% in revenues over the same period of 2017, from €454 million to €475.8 million. Adjusted EBITDA was of € 153 million, with an increase of 9.1% over the same period in 2017 (€ 140.1 million).

Romania remains the main market of the group, generating 70% of its revenues, with Hungary second (15%), followed by Spain (12 %), and Italy (2 %). On its four markets, the company records a total increase of 6% in the Revenue Generating Units (RGUs), thus reaching 13.7 million RGUs compared to 12.9 million in the first half 2017.

The group also records a cumulative evolution in the indicators referring to the main growth generating activity – mobile phone services (+ 10 %, from 4.3 million RGUs, to 4.7 million RGUs).

In Romania, the Group reports growth for fixed services, with 7.7% progress in cable TV subscriptions (3.15 million subscribers on June 30th 2018) and, respectively, 9.4 % in subscriptions for internet and fixed data services. Spain and Italy register a significant growth, of 51%, in RGUs: from 0.9 million in the first half of 2017 to 1.3 million. On these two markets, Digi Communications targets the Romanian diaspora, but also local customers, as a mobile virtual network operator (MVNO).

“The results obtained in the first half of the year are the effect of continuous investments in infrastructure of increasing quality, and in the diversity of services offered to customers. We maintained, in the last years, a high level of investments, over €200 million, and now we are reaping the benefits of this policy.

Between 2010 and 2017, the Digi Group invested some € 2billion and, for the first six months of the year, there are already € 138.3 million* CAPEX consolidated at group level”, declared Serghei Bulgac, CEO Digi Communications.

On Digi Communications Group

*Digi Communications NV is the parent holding company of RCS & RDS, market leader for internet, pay TV and telecommunications services in Romania, operating also in Hungary, Spain, and Italy. Set up some 25 years ago, the company’s assets amounted, on December 31st 2017, to €1,342 million**. The Group owns almost single handedly the largest and most sophisticated optical fiber network in the region. This competitive advantage has become, in time, a benefit for millions of customers who thus gained more rapid and less costly access to the highest quality services.*

In Romania, the Digi Group is currently the largest local employer, with some 13,000 employees, contributing to the state budget as well as to the national health insurance on its main market with more than €120 million annually.

The trans-media offer of the Digi Group comprises the TV channels Digi 24, DigiSport, Digi Film, Digi World, Digi Animal World, Digi Life, UTV, the radio stations ProFM and Digi FM and the online communications platform gathered under the umbrella DigiOnline.

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** Excluding the investment in the Invitel company from Hungary, where the Group is majority shareholder, as of May 30th 2018.*

*** Figures from the consolidated financial reports of Digi Communications NV, according to IFRS standards.*