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INFRAVIA ENTERS INTO EXCLUSIVE DISCUSSIONS TO SELL CELESTE TO CVC DIF

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InfraVia announces it has entered into exclusive negotiations to sell CELESTE to CVC DIF, marking a new milestone in the operator's next phase of growth.

Founded in 2001, CELESTE is a leading European fiber, cloud and cyber operator and number one pure-play B2B provider operating its own proprietary infrastructure. The group manages more than 13,600 km of local fiber network across France and Switzerland and owns 6 data centers. CELESTE delivers a sovereign and secured offering widely recognized for its quality, and continuously deploys innovative and bespoke solutions dedicated to enterprises under a one-stop-shop model that combines fiber, cloud and cybersecurity services.

InfraVia invested in CELESTE in 2019. Since then, it has worked alongside management to accelerate CELESTE's transformation from a local operator into a unique one-stop-shop B2B solutions provider including connectivity, telecom, cloud, and cybersecurity solutions. During this period, CELESTE executed an ambitious consolidation strategy, with multiple strategic acquisitions including Pacwan, Option Service Télécom, Via numérica, Ariane, Stella Telecom, BLHD, Oceanet Technology, Everko, and Magic Online, as well as VTX in Switzerland, significantly strengthening its network footprint, service capabilities and market positioning. Celeste has developed a product offering that meets the need of a large and diversified portfolio of blue-chip customers, with a business model set for future growth and market consolidation.

Nicolas Aube, CEO, CELESTE said, "We look forward to the next chapter of our growth journey. Today, CELESTE is strongly positioned to pursue its expansion, accelerate market consolidation and continue to deliver secured, resilient and high-performance digital infrastructure services to our clients. I would like to warmly thank InfraVia for their trust and support since 2019, which has been instrumental in our transformation and growth."

Gabriel Gauthier, Partner at InfraVia Capital Partners added: "*It has been a pleasure working with Nicolas Aubé and CELESTE teams over the past years. The work that has been achieved to build a unique B2B one-stop-shop positioning for the company leaves CELESTE well poised for the next development cycle.*"

The transaction will require the completion of the information and consultation process with the relevant French employee representative bodies and remains subject to the satisfaction of customary conditions precedent. Completion is expected in Q1 2026.

InfraVia is advised by Lazard (financial advisor), Weil and Bird & Bird (legal advisors), Alvarez & Marsal and Arsene (finance and tax advisors), BCG (commercial advisor) and On-x (technical advisor).



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ABOUT CELESTE

CELESTE is a fiber, cloud and cyber operator dedicated to businesses, and the leading pure-play B2B provider operating its own proprietary infrastructure. The group manages more than 13,600 km of local fiber network across France and Switzerland, and owns 6 data centers, including 3 certified ISO 27001 and compliant with French Health Data Hosting standards (*HDS – Hébergement de Données de Santé*). CELESTE delivers a sovereign offering supported by the expertise of its c.600 employees, providing a service widely recognized for its quality. Through its 15 regional offices, the operator maintains close proximity to its c.20,000 customers via 15 regional branches. CELESTE continuously deploys evolving technologies that combine fiber optics, cloud and cybersecurity solutions. The company operates in Switzerland through its subsidiary VTX, under its Swiss brand VTX.

ABOUT INFRAVIA CAPITAL PARTNERS

Founded in 2008, InfraVia is a leading independent private capital firm, specialized in real assets - infrastructure, critical metals, real estate - and technology investments.

InfraVia is a conviction-driven investor focusing on resilient businesses partnering with management teams, entrepreneurs, or industrials to develop their businesses and drive long-term value creation through active hands-on asset management.

Headquartered in Paris, InfraVia has a 100+ strong team and is 100% partner-owned. InfraVia manages EUR 20 billion of capital* and has invested in 60+ companies across Europe. www.infraviacapital.com

*Total amount of capital raised

ABOUT CVC DIF

CVC DIF is a leading global mid-market infrastructure equity fund manager.

Founded in 2005 and headquartered in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, CVC DIF has c. €19 billion of infrastructure assets under management in energy transition, transport, utilities and digitalisation.

With over 250 people in 12 offices, CVC DIF offers a unique market approach, combining a global presence with the benefits of strong local networks and sector-focused investment capabilities.

CVC DIF forms the infrastructure strategy of leading global private markets manager CVC. This partnership allows CVC DIF to benefit from CVC's global platform, with 30 offices across five continents.