



**Antwerp 06 February 2017**, Eblink NV, leading supplier of wireless front- and optical mid-haul solutions for mobile and wireless networks, announces the completion of its Series A funding round of €3M by Capital-E. Eblink will further leverage on its seasoned team, reputed brand name and disruptive technology built over the last decade.

Originally founded in 2005, Eblink is widely recognized as a leading front-haul player. Its team of industry veterans has built a solid reputation for their carrier-grade, platform-independent spectral efficient conversion technology of baseband signals. Eblink brings disruption to the front-haul market by enabling wireless transmission of CPRI data that otherwise needs expensive optical fiber access or where access is prohibitive. Likewise, the optical mid-haul infrastructure can be easily built or upgraded with cheaper WDM equipment enabling further centralization of the baseband units in mobile networks.

“We are very pleased with the support of Capital-E with a deep understanding of mobile networks and its ecosystem”, said Olivier Baujard, Chairman of Eblink; “With their backing and support we are very confident and excited about the future. The investment allows us to consolidate customer and partner engagements in the existing 3G/4G markets and to grow our portfolio of partnerships to enable C-RAN and 5G deployments”.

Pascal Vanluchene, Managing Partner and co-founder of Capital-E said, “We were impressed by the dedication and the quality of the team, and we believe in their unique capabilities to leverage on the disruptive technology and to bring cost-effective solutions to the mobile communications market. The front-haul market is growing fast and Eblink is in a unique position to grab a significant “wireless” share of this”.

#### **About Eblink:**

Eblink is an industry leader for wireless front-haul systems. Originally established in 2005, this seasoned team of telecom veterans will continue to deliver disruptive solutions for the wireless front-haul and optical mid-haul markets.

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#### **About Capital-E ([www.capital-e.com](http://www.capital-e.com)):**

Capital-E provides capital to companies developing unique selling propositions based on enabling electronics. Through its entrenched relationship with IMEC, the largest independent research center in micro- and nano-electronics in Europe, Capital-E and its ventures can directly rely on the support of over 3500 scientists and engineers, as well as leverage on IMEC’s 500+ worldwide partners.