

Press Release

Thuraya named MSS Operator of the Year in SatellitePro Selevision Awards

Thuraya's win celebrates a year of groundbreaking projects and unprecedented launches

Dubai, United Arab Emirates, November 21, 2017: Thuraya Telecommunications Company has won Satellite PRO's MSS Operator of the Year Award at the seventh edition of the ASBU BroadcastPro Selevision Awards in Dubai. Ahmed Al Shamsi, Thuraya's A/Chief Executive Officer, was present at the gala ceremony and received the award on behalf of the company. The Awards cover a broad range of categories to reward excellence in various fields across broadcasting. Winners are selected by a panel of judges comprising broadcast experts from around the MENA region.

Thuraya's win recognizes a successful year for the company and comes after it arranged the largest deployment of satellite data terminals for a government project in Africa. Likewise, the award takes into consideration Thuraya's performance over the past year including its recent partnerships, global initiatives, customer-centric projects and product and service launches.

Ahmed Al Shamsi said: "We are delighted to have won this prestigious award for our contribution in implementing the most successful and distinguished project of the year. It especially means a lot to have secured achievements through the current difficulties and challenges facing the industry. Our approach is to continue to innovate in everything we do, and ultimately is aimed at serving the community. We will always be ready to respond to changing demands by offering something which is unique, interoperable, easy-to-use, affordable and that meets the needs of the sectors and individuals we serve. Our portfolio additions over the past year are perfect examples of how well we respond to the market needs."

Clayton Vallabhan, Editor, SatellitePro ME, CPI Trade Media, added: "Thuraya has been recognized for its market-leading products and its innovative approach towards every aspect of its business. Thuraya's ambitions are clear and the company is well placed to embrace the new opportunities it is creating for itself."

In 2017, Thuraya launched five products and services, adding unprecedented communication capabilities to the market. These releases include Thuraya SeaStar - a circuit switched voice terminal that is affordable, designed for harsh environments and brings advanced 'at sea' communications to small-scale operators; Thuraya WE - the world's first dual-mode Satellite and LTE hotspot; Thuraya Aero - an airborne data-sharing platform that provides in-flight connectivity through internet access, text messaging, phone calls, VOIP, video and audio conferencing, and aerial surveillance; Thuraya IP M2M - an advanced telemetry solution for IoT connectivity in remote locations that lie beyond-line-of-sight and beyond the range of terrestrial networks; and Thuraya Talk - a first-of-its-kind Voice over IP (VoIP) service allowing



customers a convenient way to stay connected and enhance communications for personal and professional use.

Thuraya established many strategic collaborations this year including an alliance with Gulsat to launch first-time data services in Kuwait; a partnership with ELSE to expand IoT communication services and lay the foundation for future 'new wave' plans; an MoU with Huawei to further public safety ecosystems; a joint venture for the development of Thuraya Aero with the Aero Group - a consortium of global innovators consisting of Cobham, SCOTTY Group, SRT Wireless and led by smp aviation.

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About Thuraya Telecommunications Company

Thuraya Telecommunications Company is an industry leading MSS operator and a global telecommunication provider offering innovative communications solutions to a variety of sectors including energy, broadcast media, maritime, military and humanitarian NGOs. The company's diverse range of technologically superior and highly reliable mobile satellite handsets and broadband devices provide ease of use, value, quality and efficiency. Thuraya remains committed to serving humanity through delivering the essential tools for optimal connectivity, never leaving anyone out of reach. Visit www.thuraya.com

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