

## NEXANS TO CONNECT CONTINENTS TO BRING HIGH SPEED BROADBAND TO WEST AFRICA

*Nexans' first ever intercontinental project will use second generation submarine fibre optic cables to connect the South Atlantic Sea from Brazil to Cameroon*

**Paris, December 19, 2016** - Huawei Marine Networks has awarded Nexans the contract to supply 6000 km of their second generation submarine Repeated Optical Cables (ROC) for Phase II of the National Broadband Network ("NBNII") project linking Cameroon and Brazil. This project will be Nexans' first intercontinental project and will help to meet the growing data connectivity needs of the African and South American continents.

The cable system will be manufactured and tested at Nexans' Rognan factory in Norway with delivery completed by end of 2017.

In 2015, Nexans in partnership with Huawei Marine delivered the Nigeria Cameroon Submarine Cable System ("NCSCS") which constituted Phase I of Cameroon's National Broadband Network development being developed for Camtel, Cameroon's national telecom company.

Krister Granlie, Executive Vice President, Hybrid Underwater Cables at Nexans said, *"This contract cements the new era of Submarine Fibre Solutions (SFS) for Nexans, and reinforces our long relationship with Huawei Marine Networks."*

*"We have worked in close partnership with Nexans extensively since our inception in 2008, and after the success of Phase I of this National Broadband Network rollout, they were the natural choice for Phase II, our first trans-Atlantic project"* said Mike Constable, Chief Executive, Huawei Marine Networks.

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### About Nexans

Nexans brings energy to life through an extensive range of cables and cabling solutions that deliver increased performance for our customers worldwide. Nexans' teams are committed to a partnership approach that supports customers in four main business areas: Power transmission and distribution (submarine and land), Energy resources (Oil & Gas, Mining and Renewables), Transportation (Road, Rail, Air, Sea) and Building (Commercial, Residential and Data Centers). Nexans' strategy is founded on continuous innovation in products, solutions and services, employee development, customer training and the introduction of safe, low-environmental-impact industrial processes.

In 2013, Nexans became the first cable player to create a Foundation to introduce sustained initiatives for access to energy for disadvantaged communities worldwide.

Nexans is an active member of Europacable, the European Association of Wire & Cable Manufacturers, and a signatory of the Europacable Industry Charter. The Charter expresses its members' commitment to the principles and objectives of developing ethical, sustainable and high-quality cables.

Nexans, acting for the energy transition, has an industrial presence in 40 countries, commercial activities worldwide, is employing close to 26,000 people and generating sales in 2015 of 6.2 billion euros. Nexans is listed on Euronext Paris, compartment A.

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