

## QSC to Network Over One Thousand Wifi Hotspots from the Cloud Networks Nationwide

**Cologne, June 30, 2009.** QSC AG, a nationwide telecommunications service provider with its own cutting-edge broadband network, has won the contract to network some 1,250 of The Cloud's WiFi hotspots in Germany.

The Cloud is the largest independent hotspot operator in Europe, with over 12,000 international network locations currently under contract. Founded in 2003 in the United Kingdom, the company operates over 25,000 WiFi access points in twelve European countries, with subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Germany, Sweden and Denmark.

QSC AG has now received the contract to network The Cloud's some 1,250 WiFi locations in Germany, including hotels, airports, office buildings, retail chains, public facilities or city networks over a so-called IP-MPLS-VPN. This solution will set the stage for the future with respect to services, availability and speed. The installation is scheduled to be concluded within the next six months.

"We are firmly convinced that with QSC we will be able to offer our customers even better service and stability in the future," notes Achim Möhrlein, managing director of The Cloud Networks Germany GmbH. "QSC offers flexible bandwidths, sophisticated service level agreements and ongoing online reliability."

"We are pleased to be able to welcome The Cloud as a new customer," explains QSC Chief Operating Officer Joachim Trickl. "This confirms that with its products and services, QSC can do a perfect job of satisfying the needs of demanding business customers."

**About QSC:** Cologne-based QSC AG (QSC) is a nationwide telecommunications provider with its own broadband network, offering businesses of all sizes a comprehensive portfolio of high-quality broadband communication options. QSC implements complete enterprise networks (VPNs), including managed services, operates voice and data services on the basis of its Next Generation Network (NGN) and provides leased lines in a wide variety of bandwidths - ranging all the way to 400 Mbit/s via microwave technology. In the Wholesale line of business, this network operator additionally supplies national and international carriers, ISPs as well as strong marketing partners in the residential customer market with unbundled DSL upstream products. QSC operates on a nearly nationwide scale, connects over 200 German cities with populations of more than 40,000 and currently employs a workforce of 700 people. QSC is listed on the TecDAX.

**About The Cloud:** The Cloud was founded in the United Kingdom in 2003. With over 12,000 locations in more than 25,000 WiFi access points in 12 countries, The Cloud is today Europe's largest independent provider of wireless broadband services.

The Cloud offers mobile Internet solutions for hotels, restaurants and convention centers, office buildings, branch offices and retail chains, railroad stations, airports and seaports, sports venues and shopping centers, healthcare operations, public facilities and even entire cities. GANAG (GlobalAirNet AG) has been a part of The Cloud Networks since early 2008 as a premium provider of broadband solutions for the hotel and conference industry.

Mobile Internet users get fast access to a rich online experience, regardless of their end-user device or location. This is supported by new developments like an interactive Video/Audio interface for multimedia content, as well as auto-detection of WiFi-capable end-user devices. The Cloud partners with leading mobile operators like O2 and Vodafone, as well as with end-user manufacturers like HP, Apple and Nokia. Further information is available at: <http://www.thecloud.de>