

Trond Westlie to join VEON as Group CFO Andrew Davies to step down after four years

Amsterdam, 15 September 2017 - VEON Ltd. (NASDAQ: VEON, Euronext Amsterdam: VEON), a leading global provider of connectivity and internet services headquartered in Amsterdam and serving more than 235 million customers, announces that Trond Westlie will join VEON as Group Chief Financial Officer. VEON's current Group CFO, Andrew Davies has decided to step down from his role, after four successful years of profound transformation. He will remain an active member of the senior management team until the end of 2017.

Trond Westlie will join VEON on 2 October 2017 and assume his duties as CFO following the Q3 2017 results on 9 November 2017. Trond is a highly respected and experienced financial executive having been CFO of AP Moller-Maersk from 2010 to 2016 and CFO of Telenor from 2005 to 2009. He previously served as a member of the VEON Supervisory Board and Chairman of its Audit Committee between July 2014 and August 2016.

Andrew Davies, who joined VEON in November 2013, has been instrumental in driving the Company's transformation journey. He played a leading role in the Wind Tre (Italy) transaction and in restructuring VEON's capital structure. He also played a key role in the Company's agreements with the U.S. and Dutch authorities in February 2016. Andrew will remain with the Company until the end of the year to ensure a structured handover. In addition, he will continue as a Board member of the Wind Tre joint venture.

Jean-Yves Charlier, CEO of VEON, commented: "Trond brings impressive experience to VEON. He will contribute significantly to the Company's transformation in particular around our digital and cashflow growth initiatives given his extensive experience from his time at Maersk and Telenor. I look forward to working with him."

"I would like to thank Andrew for his leadership, integrity and commitment over the past four years. He has made a major contribution to ensuring VEON is where it is today - a revitalized business that is generating strong free cashflow with a stable and appropriate capital structure, an endeavor which enabled the Board to announce a new dividend policy earlier this year."

Trond Westlie commented: "This is an excellent time to be joining VEON. The Company operates in some of the most exciting communications markets in the world and the foundations are in place to help drive further digital growth and



efficiencies. I look forward to working with Jean-Yves and the rest of the senior management team to help take advantage of VEON's unique growth opportunities."

Andrew Davies, CFO of VEON, commented: "It has been a privilege to be part of the team that has helped transform VEON from the Company it was four years ago, to where it is today. I am proud that the Company is now on a significantly more stable footing, generating strong free cashflow, with a robust capital structure and meaningful dividend. I am confident that VEON will continue to successfully execute on its digital transformation and cash flow growth strategy in the years ahead."



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