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## European Commission's Directorate-General for Informatics (DIGIT) awards to the EURORA-1 Consortium, composed of Sword Group, Arqs, Cegeka, Ordina and KPMG, an estimated EUR 450 million contract to provide IT Services to the European Commission over the next 4 years

Luxembourg, 3rd October 2014

This award, related to Lot 1 of ESP-DESI III is part of one of the biggest framework contracts of the European Commission in IT. It includes providing around 1,000 IT consultants who will work within the premises of the different Directorates-Generals and Agencies of the European Commission in Brussels, Luxembourg, Ispra, Geel, Petten, Karlsruhe, Seville and Dublin.

The ESP-DESI III Lot 1 Framework Contract enables the European Commission to provide information systems that impact millions of citizens, companies and organisations across Europe. Services are provided in several domains as employment, taxes, agriculture, translation, justice, etc. and cover a wide range of IT services, including the architecture, design, development, implementation and maintenance of information systems related to data processing and information management, document management, web content management, database modelling and building, business intelligence, data warehouses, geographical information systems, etc.

*Jacques Mottard, Sword Group's Chairman and CEO said: "Sword is proud to having been chosen, as member of the Eurora-1 Consortium, to provide competent IT professionals in the context of the single most important Framework Contract of IT services in the European Commission; an outstanding challenge itself, that highlights once more Sword Group's prominent position as a leading provider of Professional services for the European Institutions. Sword's management is committed to delivering the highest quality of services in order to exceed European Institutions' expectations."*

### About Directorate-General for Informatics (DIGIT)

DIGIT's mission is to deliver digital services to enable European Union policies and to support the European Commission's internal administration (<http://ec.europa.eu/dgs/informatics>).

### About Sword Group

The Sword Group (SWP; NYSE Euronext Paris) is a specialised IT Services and Software company. Sword Group provides its clients with high added-value services and products and delivers critical business applications to the world's largest public organisations and companies globally. Its client list is striking and includes most of the Directorates-General (DGs) and Agencies of the European Commission. Sword is engaged in undertakings that support the European Commission's needs and work towards the effective implementation of EU policies and directives in coordination with the EU Member States by providing many critical IT services ranging from the initial inception and design to the implementation, operation and support of specialised business domains and diverse technical environments. With operations in eighteen (18) countries, the Group today employs over 1,100 people.

### Sword Group

Increase in backlog: €30 million+

Double digit organic growth forecast over the next 2 years

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