

## For Immediate Release

SOGET and Bureau Veritas to provide enhanced Services to secure and facilitate Global Trade

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**SOGET SA**, a world-leading software engineering company specialized in Cargo Community Systems, Port Supply Chain and Supply Chain Security, announces that it has signed an agreement with **Bureau Veritas**, (Government Services and International Trade Division) one of the world-leading providers of import/export control and customs inspection services on behalf of Governments, international organizations, traders and operators.

This agreement between SOGET and Bureau Veritas provides enhanced services that will enable Ports Authorities, Port Communities and Customs Authorities throughout the world to enhance the efficiency of their respective operations to secure and facilitate the global trade.

Enhanced services will cover a broad range of needs as defined by the World Customs Organization SAFE Framework of Standards such as advanced electronic cargo information, cargo community systems, risk management, inspections, x-ray scanning, valuation, classification and Authorized Economic Operators.

#### **According to Jacques Ritt, Chief Executive Officer of SOGET:**

“This MoU is a significant step in developing our mission to enable Customs Authorities, Port Authorities and Port Communities **to facilitate and protect the global supply chain**. We are very pleased to offer enhanced services with Bureau Veritas, at a time where Authorized Economic Operator status becomes a must have in global trade facilitation.”

#### **Tony Mouawad, Executive Vice President for Bureau Veritas Government Services and International Trade Division states:**

“This MoU further complement our portfolio to trading communities and governments which already includes our unique Risk management system RAMSES and the Mirsal Customs software proposed by our partner Dubai Customs World (DCW).”

Together, through this MoU, SOGET and Bureau Veritas will provide value-added services for its large global customer base by combining the know-how and services strengths of each other.

SOGET AP+ Cargo Community System (CCS) is a new generation of real time information system that optimizes, orchestrates and secures supply chain business processes among all cargo stakeholders. The CCS collects, organises and disseminates information across logistics supply chain stakeholders and provides advance electronic cargo information on cargo and container shipments to Customs for adequate risk assessment to take place.

Bureau Veritas was created in 1828 and is a service company specializing in various sectors including Marine, Industry, Construction, and Aeronautics & Space, International trade. GSIT focuses on providing assistance to Customs Authorities and implementing programs to maintain government revenues and encourage probity in international trade. It has 700 offices and Laboratories in more than 140 countries with over 28,000 employees. Its processes & procedures are in line with international standards and professional organizations.

It has ISO 9001 certification for all its activities worldwide, which confirms that Bureau Veritas exercises close control of quality of its services. In addition the Bureau Veritas Group is accredited by many countries and numerous international organizations.

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