

## NSSLGlobal adds Iridium GMDSS to its suite of commercial service offerings

**15th December, 2020**— NSSLGlobal, the award-winning satcom and IT solutions provider, has today announced that it is an authorised launch partner for Iridium Communications' new Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS).

NSSLGlobal has a long and successful track record of providing GMDSS services to the Commercial Maritime and Navies around the world and has been chosen as one of the exclusive club of first providers of <u>the Iridium GMDSS</u> service\_and also as a Master Distributor of Lars Thrane equipment, the first approved terminal for use on the Iridium GMDSS service.

The new Iridium GMDSS service operates over the Iridium NEXT constellation and uses the Lars Thrane LT-3100S terminal to provide GMDSS features including distress alerts, maritime safety information and a Ship Security Alert System (SSAS), while also providing commercial voice, SMS, data and LRIT tracking capabilities.

Iridium GMDSS is the first and only GMDSS solution to offer truly global coverage, including the polar regions (Sea Area A4), enhancing safety at sea.

In December 2019, the International Mobile Satellite Organization (IMSO), the GMDSS regulator, issued a Letter of Compliance to Iridium, fulfilling the final regulatory milestone to offer service for Iridium GMDSS. Iridium then selected NSSLGlobal as a launch partner, based on its proven maritime capabilities, global and regional market presence and commitment to full 365 24/7 customer support.

Sally-Anne Ray, Group CEO of NSSLGlobal comments: "The commercial introduction of Iridium GMDSS will enable us to provide our customers with choice for the first time with a truly global coverage over satellite including the polar regions. This is particularly important for those using the North East and North West Passage routes into the Arctic sailing areas from the North Atlantic. "

For more information please visit <u>www.nsslglobal.com</u> or contact <u>enquiries@nsslglobal.com</u>. ENDS



## About NSSLGlobal

NSSLGlobal Group is a leading independent provider of satellite communications and technology solutions with innovation and customer service at the core of its DNA. With over 50 years of experience in the government and maritime mobility markets, NSSLGlobal provides best-in-class satellite solutions working in partnership with some of the largest MSS and VSAT satellite operators.

Headquartered in the United Kingdom, the company employs 220+ staff worldwide and has offices across Germany, Denmark, Norway, Poland, Singapore, Japan, Israel and the United States.

NSSLGlobal Technologies, its technical and engineering Research and Development division based in Norway is focussed on developing and delivering VSAT technology including Hubs and VSAT modems for mobility and fixed applications globally and market competitive satellite-based solutions for IPTV products.

NSSLGlobal has strong values and is committed to working ethically, with integrity and always lawfully wherever it operates and with everyone it does business with. It is certified to ISO9001:2015, ISO 45001:2018 as well as Environmental Standard ISO14001:2015.

## What is GMDSS?

The Global Maritime Distress Safety System, or GMDSS, provides mariners with access to critical safety services while at sea. The system is comprised of three key functions: Distress Alert, Safety Voice, and Maritime Safety Information (MSI). Search and rescue (SAR) authorities ashore, as well as shipping in the immediate vicinity of the ship in distress, can be rapidly alerted to a distress incident so that they can assist in a coordinated SAR operation with the minimum of delay. Additionally, vessels will have access to important safety information about weather and other hazards.

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