# ALTICE S.A.

Société anonyme Registered Office: 3, boulevard Royal L-2449 Luxembourg R.C.S. Luxembourg: B.183.391 (the "**Company**")

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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The shareholders of the Company are invited to attend the

# EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

of shareholders (the "**General Meeting**") to be held on 6 August 2015 at 3.00 P.M Central European Summer Time ("**CEST**") at the Aerogolf Center, 1B Heienhaff, L-1736 Senningerberg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to deliberate and vote on the following matters:

#### Agenda:

- 1. Presentation of the joint cross-border merger proposal dated 26 June 2015 drawn up by the respective board of directors of the merging companies (the "Cross-Border Merger Proposal") providing for the cross-border merger by absorption by New Athena B.V., a private company with limited liability (*besloten vennootschap met beperkte aansprakelijkheid*) governed by Dutch law, having its official seat in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, registered with the Dutch trade register under number 63329743 (to be converted into a Dutch-law governed public company (*naamloze vennootschap*) (the "Acquiring Company") of the Company pursuant to which the Company will transfer all of its assets and liabilities to the Acquiring Company as at the effective merger date under a universal title of succession and with the Company being dissolved without liquidation (the "Cross-Border Merger");
- 2. Presentation of the detailed written report prepared by the board of directors of the Company in relation to the Cross-Border Merger;
- 3. Presentation of the report prepared by KPMG Luxembourg as the special auditor of the Company in relation to the Cross-Border Merger;
- 4. Confirmation by the bureau that all documents that are required by article 267 of the Luxembourg law of 10 August 1915 on commercial companies, as amended (the "Law") to be deposited at the Company's registered office or to be made available on the website of the Company, have been so deposited and have been made available on its website for due inspection by the shareholders of the Company at least one (1) month before the date of the holding of the general meeting of shareholders of the Company resolving on the Cross-Border Merger Proposal and the Cross-Border Merger (the "Deposit");

- 5. Presentation of a written statement from the Company's board of directors including the update on any important modification of the assets and liabilities of the Company which occurred between the date of the Cross-Border Merger Proposal and the date of the General Meeting;
- 6. Approval of the Cross-Border Merger Proposal and decision to carry out the Cross-Border Merger and confirmation (i) that, from an accounting point of view, the operations of the Company will be treated as having been carried out on behalf of the Acquiring Company as from 1 January 2015 and (ii) of the effective date of the Cross-Border Merger between the parties and towards third parties; and
- 7. Granting of authorization to any director of the Company and to any director of the Acquiring Company to, in the name and on behalf of the Company, perform all relevant acts and enter into all documents necessary, useful or desirable for the purpose of effectuating the Cross-Border Merger.

The General Meeting may validly deliberate on all resolutions on the agenda if at least one-half (1/2) of the share capital is represented. If this quorum is not reached, a second General Meeting shall be convened by means of notices published in accordance with the law and the Company's articles of association. Resolutions at the second General Meeting shall be valid regardless of the proportion of the share capital represented at that meeting. At both General Meetings, resolutions must be adopted by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast.

Each Share (as defined below) is entitled to one vote.

Shareholders are hereby informed that exercise of voting rights is exclusively reserved to such persons that were shareholders on the Record Date (as defined below), or their duly appointed proxy holders. Transfer of shares after the Record Date is possible subject to usual transfer limitations, as applicable. However, any transferee having become owner of the shares after the Record Date will have no right to vote at the General Meeting.

Information and a copy of the documentation to be made available by the Company at the General Meeting is available from the date of publication of this convening notice at the Company's registered office, by request at the following email address: compliance@altice.net and on the Company's website at <u>www.altice.net</u> under Investors Relations - Merger with Dutch Co.

# 1.1 Addition of agenda items or tabling of alternative resolutions

One or more shareholders holding together at least 5% of the Company's share capital have the right to request the addition of new items to the agenda of the General Meeting and/or to table draft resolutions for items in this respect. Any such request must be received by the Company before 5.00 P.M. CEST on 15 July 2015. The request must be made in writing and be sent to the Company by e-mail (to <u>compliance@altice.net</u>) or postal mail (to General Counsel, Altice S.A., 3, boulevard Royal L-2449 Luxembourg) and must include the text of the new agenda item, be accompanied by a justification and/or, the wording for the draft resolution(s) pertaining to such agenda item(s). The request must include the name of a contact person and a contact address (postal address or e-mail) of the request, and proof must be provided (save for holders of shares whose ownership is directly recorded in the share register of the Company, in the form of a confirmation issued by a financial intermediary) that the requestor(s) was/were a shareholder of

the Company on the Record Date owning more than 5% of the Company's share capital (as defined below under item 1.3.).

The Company shall prepare a revised agenda including such additional item(s) on or before the 22 July 2015.

# 1.2 Ability to ask questions ahead of and at the General Meeting

Shareholders have the right to ask questions relating to items on the agenda of the General Meeting ahead of and during the meeting. The Company will on a best efforts basis provide responses to the questions during the question and answer session of the General Meeting. The Company may provide one overall answer to questions having the same content. Where the relevant information is available on the website of the Company in a question and answer format, the Company shall be deemed to have answered the questions asked by referring to its website.

# **1.3 General Meeting - Attending in person or voting by proxy**

Only shareholders who were recorded as holders of shares on the Record Date (as defined hereafter) (or their duly appointed proxy holder) are allowed to participate and vote at the General Meeting. The "**Record Date**" is 23 July 2015 at midnight (00:00) CEST.

The Company's shares are divided into Ordinary Shares and Class B Shares (collectively the "**Shares**"). The Shares are directly or indirectly recorded in the Company's shareholders' register held in Luxembourg. The listing and paying agent for the Shares is ING Bank N.V (the "**Agent**"). There is no material difference between Ordinary Shares and Class B Shares and both types of shares give access to equal rights.

Any shareholder wishing to attend the General Meeting, whether in person or by proxy, must fulfil the conditions (set out below) for personal attendance at the General Meeting. Physical attendance by a shareholder at the General Meeting will constitute an automatic and immediate revocation of a proxy previously granted by such shareholder.

## 1. Conditions for personal attendance

(i) Holders of shares whose ownership is directly recorded in the Company's share register

Shareholders who own Shares and whose ownership is directly recorded in their own name in the Company's shareholders' register on the Record Date must announce their intention to attend and vote at the General Meeting by duly completing, signing, and dating the participation form (the "**Participation Form**") (a hard copy of which is available upon request at the below address or may be downloaded from the Company's website at <u>www.altice.net</u> under *Investors Relations - Merger with Dutch Co.* Shareholders must send the duly completed Participation Form to:

Altice S.A.

3, boulevard Royal

L-2449 Luxembourg

Tel.: + 352 47 38 85 20; Fax: +352 22 60 56

Email: compliance@altice.net

The Participation Form, proof of identity in the form of a valid, original identity card or valid original passport or, where the shareholder is a legal person, proof of authority of the signatory of the Participation Form to act as an authorized representative of such corporate entity must be received by the Company (by fax or by e-mail) no later than on 23 July 2015 by midnight CEST, followed by the original Participation Form to be received by the Company at least two (2) days before the date of the General Meeting. Upon receipt of the Participation Form, the Company will sent an attendance card to the relevant shareholder.

(ii) Holders whose ownership is indirectly recorded (shares held through an intermediary of Euroclear Netherlands)

Holders of Shares on the Record Date whose ownership is indirectly recorded, through an intermediary of Euroclear Netherlands, in the Company's shareholders' register and who wish to attend and vote at the General Meeting in person must ask their financial intermediary (bank, broker or other financial institution or intermediary) with whom their shares are on deposit to submit a statement to the Agent who must receive it no later than midnight CEST on 23 July 2015 (the "**Statement**"). This Statement must indicate the identity of the owner of the Shares, the number of Shares registered in the name of the relevant shareholder on the Record Date. When the Agent has received this Statement, an attendance card will be sent to the relevant shareholder (via the Intermediary).

Exercise of voting rights of shares in connection with late Statements will not be possible at the General Meeting.

Holders of the Shares who wish to attend the General Meeting in person must bring their attendance card and a proof of their identity (in the form of a valid original identity card or valid original passport) or where the shareholder is a legal person, proof of authority of the signatory of the Participation Form to act as an authorized representative of such corporate entity to the General Meeting. In order for the General Meeting to proceed in a timely and orderly manner, shareholders are requested to arrive on time. The doors will open at 2.00 P.M. CEST and the General Meeting will start promptly at 3.00 P.M. CEST.

## 2. Conditions for proxy voting or appointing a proxy

Holders of Shares may grant a written proxy to any other natural or legal person who need not be a shareholder. In order to give voting instructions to any other natural or legal person, holders of Shares whose ownership is directly recorded must have obtained and delivered to the Company a completed, dated and signed proxy form by 5.00 P.M CEST on 29 July 2015.

Proxy forms may be sent by e-mail or telefax followed by the original to:

Altice S.A. 3, boulevard Royal L-2449 Luxembourg <u>Email: compliance@altice.net</u>

Fax: +352 22 60 56

Holders of Shares whose ownership is indirectly recorded must without prejudice to the above registration and attendance notification provisions, send to their financial intermediary the completed, dated and signed proxy form. This financial intermediary will have to provide the Agent or the Company with the proxy form by 5.00 P.M CEST on 29 July 2015.

Proxy forms to grant a written proxy are available free of charge at the office of ING Bank N.V., Bijlmerplein 888, 1102MG Amsterdam, ph +31 20 5636900, e-mail <u>iss.pas.hbk@ing.nl</u> and can also be downloaded from the Company's website <u>www.altice.net</u>, under Investors Relations - Merger with Dutch Co.

The natural or legal person designated in the signed and dated proxy form will vote in accordance with the instructions given by the shareholder in the proxy form. If no voting instructions are given in the proxy form, the natural or legal person designated shall vote in favor of the resolutions proposed and supported by the board of directors. The proxy form may be obtained from the Agent or the Company. The proxy form can be downloaded from <u>www.altice.net</u> under Investors Relations - Merger with Dutch Co.

Holders of Shares who wish to revoke their proxy may do so by timely delivering a properly executed later-dated proxy to the Company no later than 5.00 PM CEST on 29 July 2015, or by attending and voting in person at the General Meeting.

Exercise of voting rights of Shares in connection with duly filled in and signed proxy forms received after such date will not be possible at the General Meeting.

Proxy holders will have to provide proof of their identify at the General Meeting by presenting a valid, original identity card or a valid, original passport and, where the person granting the proxy is a legal person, proof of authority of the signatory of the proxy to act as an authorized representative of such corporate entity.

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For further information you may contact Investors Relations, Olivier Gernandt, by dialling +33 1 85 06 10 75 (Mon. - Fri. 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. (CEST)).