

**Knowledge Technology Solutions plc (“KTS”, “the Company”)**

**Contract Win**

Arcontech, the award-winning developer of mission-critical software for real-time market data transmission and trading, which was recently acquired by KTS, has been awarded a significant contract to provide contract for difference (CFD) and spread betting trading platforms to Hichens Harrison, the City’s oldest firm of stock brokers.

The contract comprises Arcontech’s AXE software suite to provide a trading platform for web-based online trading, a high performance price calculation engine, order management and position keeping and a full back office administration system.

**Dr. Marc Pinter-Krainer, Chief Executive of KTS, commented:**

“I am delighted to be able to announce this major contract win for our Arcontech subsidiary. We are pleased to add Hichens Harrison, with its 203-year heritage to our blue chip client base that includes national treasury, central banking and major investment banking firms as well as supporting many other online CFD and spread betting operations. Hichens Harrison’s decision to use Arcontech’s software is a tremendous endorsement of the quality of the product, and this reinforces my confidence that Arcontech will make an important contribution to KTS over the coming years.”

**Adam Wilson, Chief Executive of Hichens Harrison, commented:**

“Arcontech’s high quality technology is the perfect update to our CFD and spread betting capabilities. Arcontech’s solution offers excellent reliability and functionality, and will help us broaden our online service offering, allowing us to continue our commitment to offering the highest quality service to our clients.”

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**Notes to Editors**

About KTS

KTS is an innovative provider of financial market data application services and solutions. The company is listed on AIM, a London Stock Exchange regulated market (ticker symbol: KTS).

Its real-time market data information service KTS MarketTerminal was developed in-house and first launched to market in 2003. The KTS MarketTerminal subscription service is remotely accessed via a standard web browser and delivers UK equities information including live quotes, news and comprehensive analytics.

KTS also provides MarketTerminal ON-SITE which allows institutional clients to customise and integrate the proven MarketTerminal display application for their own data distribution and access requirements. This is particularly relevant in the context of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID) which is introduced from 1 November 2007.

## About Arcontech

Arcontech, a wholly owned subsidiary of KTS, is an award-winning developer of mission-critical software for real-time market data transmission and trading which was founded in 1979. Its clients cover a wide range of users of market data, including leading City institutions, data vendors, CFD and spread betting brokerages.

For further information please visit [www.arcontech.com](http://www.arcontech.com)

## About Hichens Harrison

Hichens, Harrison & Co plc is a traditional stockbroker with over 200 years experience of giving quality service to the discerning investor. It offers clients a wide range of investment solutions including Advisory Portfolio Management, Execution Only Dealing, Derivative Sales, Contracts for Difference, Institutional Sales, Research and Corporate Broking. It was founded in 1803.

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