

Batelco and AMS-IX Establish Strategic Partnership to Launch New Internet Exchange

Manama, Bahrain, 31 March 2019: Batelco has signed a strategic partnership with AMS-IX to launch an internet Exchange Platform in Bahrain to serve as a neutral internet traffic exchange platform, interconnecting global networks in the GCC region.

The agreement was signed by Batelco Chief Global Business Officer Adel Al-Daylami and AMS-IX CEO Peter Van Burgel in the presence of senior executives from both companies, in Batelco's Paddock Club lounge, at the Bahrain International Circuit, during the F1 event on Saturday 30th March.

Mr. Al Daylami said that Batelco is very pleased to sign with AMS-IX to support Batelco's efforts to contribute toward the development and enhancement of internet services across the region, interconnecting regional internet providers and operators, localizing and retaining regional traffic and ultimately enhancing user experience.

"AMS-IX, the world's leading Internet Exchange, has been operating successfully at the core of the Internet for over 25 years and building, operating and maintaining Internet Exchanges is their expertise," he said.

"AMS-IX is delighted to enter into the partnership to work with Batelco, as a leading telecom provider in the region," said Mr. Van Burgel following the signing.

"We believe that Batelco is a good fit for AMS-IX as Batelco's current digital ecosystem makes the company the most viable partner of choice for us and we are confident that Batelco is capable of making the new internet exchange into a leading IX platform," he added.

This partnership serves Batelco's efforts that are focused on supporting the Kingdom's Economic Vision 2030.