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### TELEFÓNICA CLOSÉS A NEW PHASE IN THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR UNICA

**Madrid, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016.-** Today Telefónica has closed a new phase in the selection process for UNICA. UNICA is the telecommunication cloud architecture of Telefónica which aims to virtualize NFV in an automatized fashion across its operations.

UNICA is a solution open, modular, multi-vendor, multi-site, standard, secure, flexible and extensible, designed to meet Telefonica's evolving requirements and cost efficient.

A new concept introduced in the architectural design is the "Multi-VIM" requirement. The goal is to have an open platform avoiding vendor lock-in and to minimize integration efforts.

Ericsson has been awarded as a key partner of this program to provide the infrastructure and software required to launch the UNICA architecture in Telefónica Germany in 2016.

UNICA is an on-going, long-term program, involving multiple vendors; HPE and Huawei that have been collaborating until now with UNICA continue to participate in this program as strategic partners for NFV.