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Senior appointment at CICRA further strengthens senior team

Familiar Channel Islands' face, Tim Ringsdore, has been appointed as a director at the Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities (CICRA) further strengthening the senior team.

Mr Ringsdore is Jersey-born and returns to the islands after two years in the British Virgin Islands where, as managing director, he led the team that significantly improved both the customer-base and profit of the £35m Cable and Wireless telecommunications business in the region.

He is well known in the islands having worked in telecoms for more than 10 years as managing director and sales and marketing director at JT as well as managing director through the launch and operations of Wave Telecom.

CICRA chairman, Michael O'Higgins, said: "Tim's experience in global telecoms, and his intimate knowledge of the Channel Islands, is an excellent addition to our senior team.

"His career to date means he has a clear understanding of telecoms regulation and the function of regulation in general. He will be bringing his experience to bear across all areas of CICRA's work – taking a leading role in telecoms in particular across both islands."

CICRA chief executive, Michael Byrne, said: "CICRA's work is widespread and detailed. With a small team, Tim's experience will be a valuable addition to CICRA's senior management; he will bring further expertise to help inform and protect

Channel Islands consumers to ensure they receive value, choice and access to high quality services."

Mr Ringsdore said: "Good economic regulation and a thriving competitive business environment are vital, particularly in small economies, and I am well versed in delivering key strategic objectives.

"I am looking forward to being part of the strong senior team to ensure Jersey and Guernsey communities continue to be well-served by CICRA and are aware of the excellent work we do in their interests."

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About CICRA:

The Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities or 'CICRA' is the name given to the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority (JCRA) and the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority (GCRA) (formerly the Office of Utility Regulation). The JCRA was established under the Competition Regulatory Authority (Jersey) Law, 2001, and the GCRA was established under The Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2012. In Jersey, the telecoms and postal sectors are regulated by the JCRA, which is also responsible for administering and enforcing the Competition (Jersey) Law 2005. In Guernsey the telecoms, postal and electricity sectors are regulated by the GCRA, which is also responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Guernsey competition law since it came into force on 1 August 2012.

By working together and sharing resources and expertise between the islands, CICRA strives to ensure that consumers in all the Channel Islands receive best value, choice and access to high quality services.