



Press Release

IPS partners with TAS Group to enhance European payment platform offering

IPS chooses TAS Group to improve their international payment processing platform for secure card payment acceptance.

London, UK and Milan, Italy, 26 October 2016 – TAS Group (TAS, Borsa Italiana) and IPS, Ltd (Slough, UK), are pleased to announce their strategic partnership resulting in the successful upgrade of the IPS payment processing platform incorporating the TAS **cashless 3.0™** software. As a leading provider of financial solutions, TAS Group was chosen to deliver their best in class **cashless 3.0** software that enabled IPS, a pan-European Payment service provider, to enhance card payment acceptance and terminal provision for domestic and international merchants. The strategic partnership not only increase's IPS processing capability, but also fuels both companies' continued European expansions.

With security being of critical importance in transaction processing, TAS Group's **cashless 3.0** solution delivers competitive advantages through acceptance of standardised protocols that support Point to Point Encryption (P2PE) for the protection of card data. Also, by deploying the TAS solution with the IPS Managed Service, IPS has ensured that the secure flexible and scalable approach to payment acceptance has been enriched, providing our customers with a future-proofed payments platform. When combined with multi-channel tokenization, TAS Group's **cashless 3.0** solution enables IPS to offer a truly secure merchant offering.

"When selecting a partner that helped IPS enhance our payment service offering, choosing TAS Group was a simple decision to make. With TAS's Group's proven track record and partnership approach, IPS has been able to offer a secure, scalable and industry leading solution to our customers" – Delia Pedersoli, CEO

"Collaborating with IPS to deliver the highest levels of transaction processing security to the marketplace is a key element of our strong commitment in supporting the growth of our customers and partners. We are pleased to be a part of the continued success of IPS." – Roberto Carlucci, Head of Cashless World Business Unit, TAS Group.

About TAS Group

TAS Group delivers software solutions for electronic money, payment systems, capital markets and ERP. Our offices span 7 countries but our secure solutions manage financial transactions worldwide. We strive to simplify the way private enterprise, public sector, commercial and central banks interact with their customers, stakeholders and technology systems. Our highly experienced team of business analysts and software engineers are focused on rethinking, reimagining and revolutionizing commercial business processes for digital and mobile integration.

Trusted by European Central Banks to manage millions of financial messages each day, our 30-year reputation in the market and outstanding SWIFT expertise has made us an internationally preferred partner

in the financial industry. Our securities software is leading the way for Target2-Securities regulations in Europe while our 12 years of experience in EMV card payments is helping businesses and institutions to innovate their end-customers' cashless experience. Today, over 100 million chip cards are managed on TAS solutions. www.tasgroup.eu

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About IPS, Ltd.

IPS was founded in 2013 to help merchants accept payments across multiple countries, in multiple currencies through a single platform. Our market approach offers a comprehensive service that bundles all aspects required to accept and process payments securely across Europe. This packaged approach, combined with being a PCI DSS and P2PE certified solution provider makes achieving PCI DSS compliance simple. <http://www.ips-inter.com/>

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