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(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability) (Stock Code: 1729)

# ADOPTION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING SHARE OPTION SCHEME; AND NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

A notice convening the hybrid extraordinary general meeting ("EGM") of TIME INTERCONNECT TECHNOLOGY LIMITED (the "Company") to be held on Tuesday, 21 March 2023 at 11:30 a.m. with the combination of a physical meeting at Units 213-221, 2/F, Building 5E, 5 Science Park East Avenue, Hong Kong Science Park, Shatin, Hong Kong and a virtual meeting online via Tricor e-Meeting System is set out on pages EGM-1 to EGM-4 of this circular. A proxy form for use at the EGM is enclosed. Whether or not you intend to attend the EGM in person or online via Tricor e-Meeting System, you are requested to complete the enclosed proxy form in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return the same to the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong, as soon as possible but in any event not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for the holding of the EGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the proxy form shall not preclude you from attending and voting in person or online via Tricor e-Meeting System at the EGM or any adjournment thereof should you so wish.

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In this circular, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

"2023 Share Option Scheme"	the share option scheme of the Company proposed to be approved and adopted by the Shareholders at the EGM
"associate(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Acceptance Date"	in relation to any Option, the day on which the offer to grant such Option is accepted by the relevant Eligible Participant in accordance with the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Adoption Date"	the date of approval and adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme by the Shareholders
"Articles of Association"	the articles of association of the Company
"Board"	the board of Directors
"chief executive"	has the same meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"close associate(s)"	has the same meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Company"	Time Interconnect Technology Limited (匯聚科技有限公司), an exempted company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and the Shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"connected person(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Consultation Conclusions"	the Consultation Conclusions on Proposed Amendments to the Listing Rules relating to Share Schemes of Listed Issuers and Housekeeping Rule Amendment published by the Stock Exchange in July 2022
"controlling shareholder(s)"	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"core connected person(s)	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"Date of Grant"	in relation to any Option, the day (which must be a trading day) on which the Directors resolve to make an offer of that Option to an Eligible Participant subject to the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company

"Effective Date"	the effective date of the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Eligible participant(s)"	the Employee Participants, the Service Providers and the Related Entity Participants
"Employee Participant(s)"	the directors, chief executive and employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries (including persons who are granted options under the 2023 Share Option Scheme as an inducement to enter into employment contracts with the Company or any of its subsidiaries), provided that the Board shall have absolute discretion to determine whether or not one falls within such category
"EGM"	the extraordinary general meeting of the Company to be convened to consider and, if thought fit, to approve the adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme
"Existing Share Option Scheme"	the share option scheme of the Company adopted on 24 January 2018
"Group"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"Hong Kong"	the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of PRC
"Individual Limit"	has the meaning as defined in paragraph 4 of the Appendix to this circular
"INED(s)"	the independent non-executive Director(s)
"Latest Practicable Date"	27 February 2023, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this circular for the purpose of ascertaining certain information contained herein
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Notice"	the notice convening the EGM contained in this circular
"Option(s)"	option(s) to subscribe for Shares pursuant to the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Option Holder(s)"	the holder(s) of any outstanding Option or (where the context so permits) any person who is entitled to such Option in consequence of the death or disability of the original holder, or the legal personal representative of such holder

"Option Period"	in respect of any Option, the period commencing on the Acceptance Date of an Option and expiring at the close of business on a day as determined by the Directors (both days inclusive), which period may, if the Directors so determine, be set at different length for different Eligible Participants provided always that such period shall not be longer than ten (10) years from the date upon which any Option is granted in accordance with the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Option Price"	the price per Share payable on the exercise of an Option (in whole or in part) as determined by the Directors (which price may, if the Directors so determine, be set at different levels for different periods during the Option Period) provided always that it shall comply with the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme
"Ordinary Resolution(s)"	the proposed ordinary resolution(s) as referred to in the Notice
"PRC" or "China"	the People's Republic of China, which for the purpose of this announcement shall exclude Hong Kong, Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC and Taiwan
"Principal Subsidiary"	has the meaning ascribed to it under Rule 17.14 of the Listing Rules
"Related Entity(ies)"	the holding companies, fellow subsidiaries or associated companies of the Company
"Related Entity Participant(s)"	the directors, chief executives and employees of the holding companies, fellow subsidiaries or associated companies of the Company, provided that the Board shall have absolute discretion to determine whether or not one falls within such category
"Remuneration Committee"	the remuneration committee of the Company

"Service Provider(s)"	any person(s) (whether a natural person, a corporate entity or otherwise) who provide services to the Group on a continuing and recurring basis in its ordinary and usual course of business which are in the interest of the long-term growth of the Group, including (a) suppliers of services to any member of the Group; and (b) advisors (professional or otherwise) or consultants to any area of business or business development of any member of the Group, but for the avoidance of doubt excludes placing agents or financial advisers providing advisory services for fundraising, mergers or acquisition, professional service providers such as auditors or valuers who provide assurance, or are required to perform their services with impartiality and objectivity, and provided that the Board shall have absolute discretion to determine whether or not one falls within such
	category
"Service Provider Sublimit"	has the meaning as defined in paragraph 3.2 of the Appendix to this circular
"Share(s)"	the ordinary share(s) of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	holder(s) of the Share(s) of the Company
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"Subscription Price"	in relation to an Option, an amount equal to the Option Price multiplied by the relevant number of Shares in respect of which such Option is exercised
"subsidiary(ies)	has the meaning ascribed to it under the Listing Rules
"HK\$"	Hong Kong dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"%"	per cent.



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2 March 2023

To the Shareholders

Dear Sir or Madam,

# ADOPTION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING SHARE OPTION SCHEME; AND NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

#### **INTRODUCTION**

Reference is made to the announcement dated 10 February 2023 in relation to the proposed adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and the termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme.

The purpose of this circular is to provide you with (i) information in relation to the resolutions to be proposed at the EGM for the adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and the termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme; and (ii) the notice of the EGM.

# ADOPTION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND TERMINATION OF THE EXISTING SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Existing Share Option Scheme was adopted by the Company on 24 January 2018 and is valid and effective for a period of 10 years from the date of adoption. Pursuant to the Consultation Conclusions, Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules have been amended with effect from 1 January 2023. In light of the above, the Company proposes to terminate the Existing Share Option Scheme and adopt the 2023 Share Option Scheme to replace the Existing Share Option Scheme.

Since the adoption of the Existing Share Option Scheme and up to the Latest Practicable Date, the Company has granted options relating to 154,320,000 Shares under the Existing Share Option Scheme representing approximately 7.9% of the total issued Shares of which options relating to 27,312,000 Shares were granted to directors and options relating to 127,008,000 Shares were granted to other eligible grantees. As at the Latest Practicable Date, 105,952,000 options had been exercised, 3,072,000 options had been lapsed and 45,296,000 options had been cancelled. As all the share options that have been granted under the Existing Share Option Scheme since its adoption had been exercised, lapsed or cancelled, there were no options outstanding as at the Latest Practicable Date.

As the Board has no intention of granting any further options under the Existing Share Option Scheme during the period from the Latest Practicable Date and the date of the EGM, no options will remain outstanding after the Existing Share Option Scheme is terminated. The Company has no outstanding options, convertible securities or warrants which confer the right to subscribe for Shares as at the Latest Practicable Date.

According to the terms of the Existing Share Option Scheme, the Company may by an ordinary resolution in general meeting terminate the operation of the Existing Share Option Scheme, and in such event, no further options can be granted under the Existing Share Option Scheme.

Upon termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme, no further options may be granted but in all other respects, the provisions of the Existing Share Option Scheme shall remain in full force and effect. Therefore, the termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme will not in any event affect the terms of the grant of such outstanding options that have already been granted under the Existing Share Option Scheme shall continue to be subject to the provisions of the Existing Share Option Scheme.

An ordinary resolution will be proposed at the EGM for the Shareholders to consider, and if thought fit, to approve the termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme and adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme. The 2023 Share Option Scheme complies with the latest requirements under Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, the issued share capital of the Company comprised 1,945,952,000 Shares. Assuming that there is no change in the issued share capital between the period from the Latest Practicable Date and the Adoption Date, the maximum number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme and any other

share option scheme(s) of the Company and the awards to be granted under any share award scheme(s) of the Company that involve(s) the issuance of new Shares (if any), in aggregate will be 194,595,200 Shares, representing 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the Adoption Date.

The Service Provider Sublimit of the 2023 Share Option Scheme will be 19,459,520 Shares, representing 1% of the total number of Shares in issue on the Adoption Date. The basis for determining the Service Provider Sublimit includes the potential dilution effect arising from grants to the Service Providers, and the importance of striking a balance between achieving the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and protecting Shareholders from the dilution effect from granting a substantial amount of Options to the Service Providers, the actual or expected increase in the Group's revenue or profits which is attributable to the Service Providers, the extent of use of Service Providers, and the fact that the Company expects that a majority of Options will be granted to Employee Participants and as such there is a need to reserve a larger portion of the Scheme Mandate Limit for grants to the Employee Participants. Given the above, the Directors have made reference to the 1% Individual Limit and considered that a sublimit of 1% would not lead to an excessive dilution of existing Shareholders' holdings.

Considering that there are no other share schemes involving grant of options over new Shares, the Group's hiring practice and organisational structures and that the Service Providers have contributed to the long-term growth of the Company's businesses, the Board is of the view that the Service Provider Sublimit is appropriate and reasonable as it provides flexibility to grant Options to the Service Providers to achieve the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and the relatively low threshold of 1% can provide adequate safeguard against excessive dilution. The Service Provider Sublimit is subject to separate approval by the Shareholders at the EGM.

Amongst Service Providers, vendors, suppliers, distributors, and contractors directly contribute to the long-term growth of the Group's business by providing services that are of a continuing and recurring nature in the ordinary and usual course of the Group's business. These Service Providers are closely connected to and crucial to the Group's day-to-day operations which spans across procurement, sales, manufacturing, marketing and research and development, and their contribution directly impacts the results of operations of the Group. Service Providers also include advisors and consultants with relevant expertise in fields related to the industry such as members of cable technology associations which are privy to developments in cable products and technology, former senior management of prominent industry players which have unique knowledge of market trends and product roadmap during the short to long term, technical consultants which may advise on and assist the company in its product development and improve its production management capabilities. Such Service Providers contribute to the long-term growth of the Group by advising or consulting on a set of specialised skills and knowledge in the business activities of the Group. As these Service Providers possess industry-specific knowledge or expertise and often have extensive experience and understanding of the market, they are able to provide insight on areas such as market development, technological trends and innovations, technical specifications and licensing requirements for products, production management, as well as marketing. The strategic advice and guidance provided by engaging these Service Providers benefit the Group in its ordinary and usual course of business and often allows it to more effectively plan its future business strategies for long-term growth.

None of the Directors is a trustee of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or has any direct or indirect interest in the trustees of the 2023 Share Option Scheme, if any. As at the Latest Practicable Date, the Company has no other share option schemes or share award schemes other than the Existing Share Option Scheme.

As at the Latest Practicable Date, to the best knowledge of the Directors and having made all reasonable enquiries, no Shareholder has any material interest in the proposed adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme. As such, no Shareholder is required to abstain from voting on the resolution in relation thereto.

#### Conditions precedent of the 2023 Share Option Scheme

The 2023 Share Option Scheme will take effect upon satisfaction of the following conditions:

- (i) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in the EGM to approve the adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and to authorise the Board to grant Options to subscribe for Shares thereunder and to allot, issue and deal with Shares pursuant to the exercise of any Options granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme;
- (ii) the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in the EGM to terminate the Existing Share Option Scheme; and
- (iii) the Listing Committee of the Stock Exchange granting approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, any Shares to be issued pursuant to the exercise of Options granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme.

An application will be made to the Stock Exchange for the approval of the listing for, and permission to deal in, the Shares to be issued pursuant to the exercise of the Options granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme.

#### Explanation of the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme

A summary of the principal terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme is set out in the Appendix hereto.

The purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of the Eligible Participants for their contribution to the Group by granting Options to them as incentive or reward and to attract, retain and motivate high-calibre Eligible Participants in line with the performance goals of the Group and the Related Entities. The 2023 Share Option Scheme shall strengthen the many long-term relationships that the Eligible Participants may have with the Group.

#### **Eligible Participants**

Eligible Participants include the Employee Participants, the Service Providers and the Related Entity Participants.

In determining the basis of eligibility of each Eligible Participant, the Board would mainly take into account individual performance, time commitment, responsibilities or employment conditions according to the prevailing market practice and industry standard, or where appropriate, contribution to the revenue, profits or business development of the Group by the Eligible Participant (if the Eligible Participant is an employee or a director of any member of the Group), the actual degree of involvement in and/or cooperation with the Group and length of collaborative relationship the Eligible Participant has established with the Group (if the Eligible Participant is a Service Provider of any member of the Group), and the amount of support, assistance, guidance, advice, efforts and contributions the Eligible Participant has exerted and given towards the success of the Group and/or the amount of potential support, assistance, guidance, advice, efforts and contributions the Eligible verticipant is likely to be able to give or make towards the success of the Group in the future.

The Board (including the INEDs) is of the view that, apart from the contributions of employees and directors of the Group, the success of the Group may also come from the efforts and co-operation of non-employees (including Service Providers and Related Entity Participants) who play a part in the development and continued success of the Group's business and operations, and have contributed or may contribute to the Group in the future.

In addition to the contribution of Service Providers mentioned above, the Group has a close working relationship with the Related Entity Participants. The Group maintains close collaborative relationships with the Related Entity Participants such as senior management of our parent company, Luxshare Precision Industry Co. Ltd, which have extensive connections in the market and have been involved in projects or provided support to the Group, in the form of providing advice to the Group on formulating medium to long-term business strategy, sharing their knowledge and expertise of up-to-date technologies, assisting the Group to improve production efficiency through use of automation and applying SAP in the Group's ERP systems. The Related Entity Participants may also contribute to the Group by providing specific knowledge on a wide spectrum of related industries in which it operates, providing guidance with respect to potential expansions into new markets and product categories based on their pre-existing expertise, which allow the Group to capture new opportunities for business development.

The inclusion of Service Providers and Related Entity Participants as eligible grantees under the 2023 Share Option Scheme is therefore consistent with the purpose of the scheme. This enables the Group to have the flexibility to utilize Options as a means of incentivising or rewarding persons outside of the Group to contribute to its long-term success by aligning the interests with these stakeholders and strengthening their ongoing relationship with the Group. For the avoidance of doubt, Service Providers will exclude placing agents or financial advisers providing advisory services for fundraising, mergers or acquisition, professional service providers such as auditors or valuers who provide assurance, or are required to perform their services with impartiality and objectivity.

As mentioned above, the Board will take into account numerous factors when assessing the eligibility of and contribution (or potential contribution) made or to be made by different categories of non-employee Eligible Participants. The Board also has the discretion to impose different terms and conditions (including but not limited to performance targets and vesting conditions) on Options to be

granted to these Eligible Participants, which allows the Board to have flexibility to impose appropriate conditions in light of the particular circumstances of each grant, corresponding to the relevant non-employee Eligible Participants' contribution or potential contribution.

Based on the above, the Board (including the INEDs) considers that (i) the inclusion of the Related Entity Participants and the Service Providers as non-employee Eligible Participants are in line with the Company's business needs and the industry norm of providing equity based payment to stakeholders in order to align interests and incentivise performance and contribution, as it is desirable and necessary to sustain and foster these business relationships on a long-term basis; and (ii) the criteria for selection of Related Entity Participants and Service Providers as set out above and in paragraph 2 of the Appendix to this circular and the discretion afforded to the Board to impose different terms and conditions (including performance targets and vesting conditions) on Options granted to such selected non-employee Eligible Participants, is appropriate and in the interest of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole, and would enable the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme to be achieved.

### Vesting period

The vesting period for Options under the 2023 Share Option Scheme shall not be less than twelve (12) months. To ensure the practicability in fully attaining the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme, the Board and the Remuneration Committee are of the view that (a) there are certain instances where a strict twelve (12)-month vesting requirement would not work or would not be fair to the Option Holder, such as those set out in paragraphs 7.2(i) to (iii) of the Appendix to this circular; (b) there is a need for the Company to retain flexibility to reward exceptional performers with accelerated vesting or in exceptional circumstances where justified; and (c) the Company should be allowed discretion to formulate its own talent recruitment and retention strategies in response to changing market conditions and industry competition, and thus should have flexibility to impose vesting conditions such as performance-based vesting conditions instead of time-based vesting criteria depending on individual circumstances.

Hence, the Board and the Remuneration Committee are of the view that the shorter vesting period prescribed in sub-paragraph 7.2 of the Appendix to this circular is in line with the market practice and is appropriate and aligns with the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme.

#### Performance targets and clawback mechanism

The rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme will not prescribe specific performance targets that must be met before an Option can be exercised or clawback mechanism to recover or withhold Options to be granted. However, the rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme will give the Board discretion to impose such conditions on the Share Options or prescribe such clawback mechanism where appropriate. The Directors consider that it may not always be appropriate to impose such conditions or prescribe such clawback mechanism particularly when the purpose of granting the Options is to remunerate or compensate Eligible Participants for past contributions. The Directors consider it more beneficial to the Company to retain the flexibility to determine whether such conditions or clawback mechanism are appropriate in light of the particular circumstances of each grant.

#### **Basis of Determination of the Option Price**

Eligible Participants to whom Options shall be granted, are entitled to subscribe for the number of Shares at the Option Price as determined by the Board in its discretion on the Date of Grant, but in any event the Option Price shall be at least the highest of (i) the closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotations sheet issued by the Stock Exchange on the Date of Grant; (ii) the average of the closing price of the Shares as stated in the daily quotations sheet issued by the Stock Exchange on the Date of Grant; (ii) the average of the five (5) trading days immediately preceding the Date of Grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the Shares on the Date of Grant. The basis for determining the Option Price is also specified precisely in the rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme. The Directors consider that such basis will serve to preserve the value of the Company and encourage the Eligible Participants to acquire proprietary interests in the Company.

#### Value of the Options

The Directors consider that it is not appropriate and impractical to state the value of all the Options that can be granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme as if they had been granted at the Latest Practicable Date, given that various factors (such as the Option Price and other terms and conditions to which an Option may be subject) crucial for valuation cannot be predicted or ascertained at this stage and may vary from case to case. The Directors believe that any calculation of the value of the Options as at the Latest Practicable Date based on assumptions would be speculative, not meaningful to, and may be misleading to the Shareholders.

### EGM

The hybrid EGM will be convened and held on Tuesday, 21 March 2023 at 11:30 a.m. with the combination of a physical meeting at Units 213-221, 2/F, Building 5E, 5 Science Park East Avenue, Hong Kong Science Park, Shatin, Hong Kong and a virtual meeting online via Tricor eMeeting System to consider and, if thought fit, approve the adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme. In compliance with the Listing Rules, the resolution will be voted on by way of poll at the EGM. The poll results will be announced in accordance with Rule 13.39(5) of the Listing Rules after the conclusion of the EGM.

A notice convening the EGM is set out on pages EGM-1 to EGM-4 of this circular. A form of proxy for use by the Shareholders at the EGM is enclosed. Whether or not you intend to attend the EGM in person or online via Tricor e-Meeting System, you are requested to complete the enclosed form of proxy in accordance with the instructions printed thereon and return it to the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong as soon as possible and in any event no later than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the EGM or any adjournment thereof. Completion and return of the form of proxy will not preclude you from attending and voting in person or online via Tricor e-Meeting System at the EGM or any adjournment of it, if you so wish.

#### **CLOSURE OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS**

For determining the entitlement to attend and vote at the EGM, the register of members of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 16 March 2023 to Tuesday, 21 March 2023, both dates inclusive, during which no transfer of Shares will be registered. In order to be eligible to attend and vote at the EGM, unregistered holders of Shares shall ensure that all transfer documents accompanied by the relevant Share certificates must be lodged for registration with the branch share registrar and transfer office of the Company in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 15 March 2023.

### **DOCUMENT ON DISPLAY**

A copy of the 2023 Share Option Scheme will be published on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange (www.hkexnews.hk) and the Company (www.time-interconnect.com) for display for a period of not less than 14 days before the date of EGM and will be made available for inspection at the EGM.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT**

This circular, for which the Directors collectively and individually accept full responsibility, includes particulars given in compliance with the Listing Rules for the purpose of giving information with regard to the Company. The Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, confirm that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the information contained in this circular is accurate and complete in all material respects and not misleading or deceptive, and there are no other matters the omission of which would make any statement herein or this circular misleading.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Directors consider that the proposed adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and termination of the Existing Share Option Scheme as mentioned above are in the best interests of the Company and the Shareholders as a whole. Accordingly, the Directors recommend that all Shareholders should vote in favour of the relevant resolutions to be proposed at the EGM.

By Order of the Board **Time Interconnect Technology Limited Cua Tin Yin Simon** *Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer* 

### SUMMARY OF THE PRINCIPAL TERMS OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The following is a summary of the principal terms of the rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme. It does not form part of, nor is it intended to be part of the rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and it should not be taken as affecting the interpretation of the rules of the 2023 Share Option Scheme. The Directors reserve the right at any time prior to the EGM to make such amendments to the 2023 Share Option Scheme as they may consider necessary or appropriate provided that such amendments do not conflict in any material aspects with the summary in this Appendix.

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of the Eligible Participants for their contribution to the Group by granting Options to them as incentives or rewards and to attract, retain and motivate high-calibre Eligible Participants in line with the performance goals of the Group and the Related Entities. The 2023 Share Option Scheme shall strengthen the many long-term relationships that the Eligible Participants may have with the Group.

### 2. ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME AND THE BASIS OF DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY OF ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

Eligible Participants include the Employee Participants, the Service Providers and the Related Entity Participants.

In determining the basis of eligibility of each Eligible Participant, the Board would mainly take into account of the experience of the Eligible Participant on the Group's businesses, the length of service of the Eligible Participant with the Group (if the Eligible Participant is an employee or a director of any member of the Group), the actual degree of involvement in and/or cooperation with the Group and length of collaborative relationship the Eligible Participant has established with the Group (if the Eligible Participant is a Service Provider of any member of the Group), and the amount of support, assistance, guidance, advice, efforts and contributions the Eligible Participant has exerted and given towards the success of the Group and/or the amount of potential support, assistance, guidance, advice, efforts and contributions the Eligible Participant is likely to be able to give or make towards the success of the Group in the future.

For Employee Participants, assessing factors include: the individual performance, time commitment, responsibilities or employment conditions according to the prevailing market practice and industry standard, the length of engagement with the Group and the individual contribution or potential contribution to the development and growth of the Group.

For each category of Service Providers, assessing factors include: the individual performance of relevant Service Providers, the length of business relationship with the Group, the materiality and nature of the business relationship with the Group (such as whether they relate to the core business of the Group and whether such business dealings could be readily replaced by third parties), track record in the quality of services provided to and/or cooperation with the Group and the scale of business dealings with the Group with regard to factors such as the actual or expected change in the Group's revenue or profits which is or may be attributable to the Service Providers.

# SUMMARY OF THE PRINCIPAL TERMS OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

In assessing whether the Service Provider provides services to the Group on a continuing and recurring basis and in its ordinary and usual course of business, the Board shall take into consideration the length and type of services provided and the recurrences and regularity of such services, the nature of the services provided to the Group by the Service Provider, and whether such services form part of or are directly ancillary to the businesses conducted by the Group, as disclosed in the Company's announcements, circulars, interim and annual reports.

For Related Entity Participants, assessing factors include: the degree of involvement in and/or cooperation with the Group, the length of collaborative relationship the Related Entity Participant has established with the Group, the extent of positive impact provided by or expected from business development activities in terms of the actual or expected change in the Group's revenue or profits attributable to the Related Entity Participant, whether the Related Entity Participant has assisted the Group to tap into new markets or increase its existing market share, whether the Related Entity Participant has provided measurable assistance to improve any aspect of the Group's operations, the amount of actual or potential support, assistance, guidance, advice, effort or contribution the Related Entity Participant give or is likely to be able to give or make towards the success of the Group.

### 3. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SHARES AVAILABLE FOR SUBSCRIPTION

- 3.1 The total number of Shares which may be issued upon the exercise of all Options to be granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme and all options and awards to be granted under any other share option scheme(s) and share award scheme(s) of the Company (the "Other Schemes) shall not in aggregate exceed 194,595,200, representing 10% of the Shares in issue on the Adoption Date (the "Scheme Mandate Limit") unless the Company obtains an approval from the Shareholders pursuant to paragraph 3.3 below. Options or awards cancelled or lapsed in accordance with the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or Other Schemes shall not be counted for the purposes of calculating whether the Scheme Mandate Limit and the Service Provider Sublimit (as defined below) have been exceeded. If the Company conducts a share consolidation or subdivision after the Scheme Mandate Limit has been approved in general meeting, the maximum number of Shares that may be issued in respect of all Options to be granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme and options and awards to be granted under all Other Schemes under the Scheme Mandate Limit or the Service Provider Sublimit as a percentage of the number of total issued Shares at the date immediately before and after such consolidation or subdivision shall be the same (rounded to the nearest whole Share).
- 3.2 Subject to paragraph 3.1 above, within the Scheme Mandate Limit, the total number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of all options to be granted to the Service Providers shall not exceed 19,459,520 Shares, representing 1% of the total number of Shares in issue on the Adoption Date (the "Service Provider Sublimit").

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- 3.3 The Company may seek approval of the Shareholders in the general meeting for refreshing the Scheme Mandate Limit and the Service Provider Sublimit set out in paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2 above under the 2023 Share Option Scheme after three (3) years from the date of approval by the Shareholders for the adoption of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or the last refreshment.
- 3.4 Any refreshment within any three (3)-year period must be approved by Shareholders subject to that:
  - (i) any controlling shareholders and their associates (or if there is no controlling shareholder, Directors (excluding INEDs) and the chief executive of the Company and their respective associates) must abstain from voting in favour of the relevant resolution at the general meeting; and
  - (ii) the Company must comply with the requirements under Rules 13.39(6), 13.39(7), 13.40, 13.41 and 13.42 of the Listing Rules.
- 3.5 The requirements under paragraphs 3.4(i) and 3.4(ii) above do not apply if the refreshment is made immediately after an issue of securities by the Company to the Shareholders on a pro rata basis as set out in Rule 13.36(2)(a) of the Listing Rules such that the unused part of the Scheme Mandate Limit (as a percentage of the total number of Shares in issue) upon refreshment is the same as the unused part of the Scheme Mandate Limit immediately before the issue of securities (rounded to the nearest whole Share).
- 3.6 The total number of Shares which may be issued in respect of all Options to be granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme (in aggregate with any other options and awards to be granted under any Other Schemes that involve(s) the issuance of new Shares) under the Scheme Mandate Limit as refreshed shall not exceed 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the date of approval of the refreshed Scheme Mandate Limit. The Company shall send to the Shareholders a circular containing all such information as may be required under the Listing Rules.
- 3.7 The Company may seek separate approval by the Shareholders in its general meeting for granting Options beyond the Scheme Mandate Limit provided the Options in excess of the Scheme Mandate Limit are granted only to the Eligible Participants specifically identified by the Company before such approval is sought. In such a case, the Company shall send to the Shareholders a circular containing the name of each specified Eligible Participant who may be granted such Options, the number and terms of the Options to be granted to each Eligible Participant, and the purpose of granting Options to the specified Eligible Participants with an explanation as to how the terms of the Options serve such purpose and all such information as may be required under the Listing Rules. The number and terms of Options to be granted to such Eligible Participants must be fixed before approval

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by the Shareholders. In respect of any Options to be granted, the date of Board meeting for proposing such grant should be taken as the Date of Grant for the purpose of calculating the Subscription Price.

#### 4. MAXIMUM ENTITLEMENT OF SHARES OF EACH ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT

Subject to paragraph 21 below, the total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of the options and awards granted to each Eligible Participant or grantee (including exercised and outstanding options but excluding any options and awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of such schemes) in any twelve (12)-month period up to the Date of Grant shall not exceed 1% of the number of the total issued Shares at the Date of Grant (the "Individual Limit"). Where it is proposed that any offer is to be made to an Eligible Participant (or where approximate, an existing grantee) which would result in the Shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of all options and awards granted and to be granted to such person (including exercised, cancelled and outstanding options and awards) in the twelve (12)-month period up to and including the relevant Date of Grant to exceed his, her or its Individual Limit, such offer and any acceptance thereof must be conditional upon approval by the Shareholders in the general meeting with such Eligible Participant (or where appropriate, an existing grantee) and his, her or its associates abstaining from voting. The Company must send a circular to the Shareholders disclosing the identity of the Eligible Participant or grantee, the number and terms of options to be granted (and options previously granted) to such Eligible Participant and the information required under the Listing Rules, including but not limited to the purpose of granting options to the Eligible Participant and an explanation as to how the terms of the options serve such purpose. The number and terms (including the Subscription Price) of options to be granted to such Eligible Participant must be fixed before the date on which approval of the Shareholders is sought and the date of the Board meeting for proposing such further grant should be taken as the Date of Grant for the purpose of calculating the Subscription Price.

### 5. ACCEPTANCE OF OPTION

Offers to grant an Option shall be open for acceptance in writing. Such acceptance must be received by the Company within a period of twenty-one (21) business days inclusive of, and from, the Date of Grant provided that no such offer shall be open for acceptance after the expiry of the period of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or after the 2023 Share Option Scheme has been terminated; or by a person who ceases to be an Eligible Participant after such offer has been made. An offer shall be deemed to have been accepted on the date when the duplicate comprising acceptance of the offer is duly signed by the Eligible Participant with the number of Shares in respect of which the offer is accepted clearly stated therein together with a remittance in favour of the Company of HK\$1.00 per Option by way of consideration for the grant thereof. Such consideration shall not be refundable.

Upon an offer of the grant of Options being accepted or deemed to have been accepted, each Option Holder gives the Company an unfettered right to publish an announcement relating to the terms of the offer in accordance with the Listing Rules.

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#### 6. PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE OPTION MAY BE EXERCISED

Save as provided in paragraphs 7, 9 to 12 below, Options for the time being outstanding may be exercised in whole or in part at any time during the Option Period. In order for the exercise of an Option to be effective, the Company must, prior to the expiry of the Option Period, have received: (i) a written notice from the Option Holder of the intention to exercise the Option, signed by or on behalf of the Option Holder and specifying the number of Shares in respect of which the Option is intended to be exercised; and (ii) payment in full of the Subscription Price. Notwithstanding anything in provisions under the 2023 Share Option Scheme to the contrary, the Option for the time being outstanding shall terminate, except in so far as there has been an effective exercise of that Option prior thereto and the Company has not discharged all its obligations under the 2023 Share Option Scheme in relation to such exercise.

### 7. VESTING PERIOD OF OPTION

- 7.1 Save for the circumstances prescribed in paragraph 7.2 below, an Option must be held by the Option Holder for at least twelve (12) months before the Option can be exercised.
- 7.2 A shorter vesting period may be granted to the Employee Participants at the discretion of the Board or a committee or any other authorised agent(s) as deemed appropriate at the sole discretion of the Board in any of the following circumstances:
  - (i) grants of "make-whole" Options to new joiners to replace the share awards or options they forfeited when leaving the previous employer;
  - grants to an Employee Participant whose employment is terminated due to death or disability or occurrence of any out of control event;
  - (iii) grants that are made in batches during a year for administrative and compliance reasons, which include Options that should have been granted earlier if not for such administrative or compliance reasons but had to wait for subsequent batch. In such case, the vesting period may be shorter to reflect the time from which the Option would have been granted;
  - (iv) grants with a mixed or accelerated vesting schedule such as where the Option may vest evenly over a period of twelve (12) months; and
  - (v) grants with performance-based vesting conditions in lieu of time-based vesting criteria;

each of which are considered appropriate to provide flexibility to grant Options (a) as part of competitive terms and conditions to induce valuable talent to join the Group (subparagraphs (i) and (iv)); (b) reward past contribution which may otherwise be neglected

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due to administrative or technical reasons (sub-paragraphs (ii) and (iii)); (c) reward exceptional performers with accelerated vesting (sub-paragraph (iv)); (d) to motivate exceptional performers based on performance metrics rather than time (sub-paragraph (v)); and (e) in exceptional circumstances where justified (sub-paragraph (i) to (v)), which is consistent with the purpose of the 2023 Share Option Scheme.

### 8. OPTION PRICE

The Option Price (subject to adjustments in accordance with paragraph 15 below) shall be determined on the Date of Grant at the absolute discretion of the Directors as an amount per Share which shall be at least the highest of (a) the closing price of the Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the Date of Grant, which must be a trading day; (b) the average of the closing prices of the Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five (5) trading days immediately preceding the Date of Grant; and (c) the nominal value of the Shares on the Date of Grant, provided that the Option Price shall be subject to adjustment in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 15 below.

### 9. RIGHTS ON WINDING UP

If notice is given of a general meeting of the Company at which a resolution will be proposed for the members' voluntary winding-up of the Company, each Option Holder shall be entitled, at any time not later than two (2) business days prior to the proposed resolution being duly passed, to exercise his outstanding Options in whole or in part, but only so far as such Options shall be subsisting immediately prior to the passing of such a resolution. Subject thereto, all Options then outstanding shall lapse and determine on the commencement of the winding-up.

#### 10. RIGHTS ON A GENERAL OFFER

If, in consequence of any general offer made to all Shareholders (other than the offeror and/or any person controlled by the offeror and/or any person acting in association or connection with the offeror), any person shall have obtained control of the Company, each Option Holder shall be entitled to exercise at any time within a period of fourteen (14) business days after such control has been obtained the Option in whole or in part, unless the Directors (excluding the relevant Option Holder who is a Director) in their discretion notwithstanding the terms of the relevant Option, vary the option exercise period of such Options granted.

### 11. RIGHTS ON A COMPROMISE OR ARRANGEMENT

If a compromise or an arrangement between the Company and its members or creditors is proposed for the purposes of or in connection with a scheme of reconstruction of the Company or its amalgamation with any other company or companies, the Company shall give notice thereof to all Option Holders on the same date as it despatches the notice to each member or creditor of the Company to consider such a compromise or an arrangement, and thereupon any Option Holder (or where permitted his personal representatives) may forthwith and until the expiry of the period

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commencing with such date and ending with the earlier of the date falling two (2) calendar months thereafter and the date on which such compromise or arrangement is sanctioned by the Court be entitled to exercise his Option but the exercise of the Option shall be conditional upon such compromise or arrangement being sanctioned by the Court and becoming effective. The Company may thereafter require each Option Holder to transfer or otherwise deal with the Shares issued as a result of such exercise of his Option so as to place the Option Holders in the same position as nearly as would have been the case had such Shares been subject to such compromise or arrangement.

### 12. RIGHTS ON CEASING EMPLOYMENT, DEATH/DISABILITY OR DISMISSAL

- (i) in the event of the Option Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant because the Related Entity (to which the Eligible Participant is employed, holds directorship in or is a consultant therewith) ceases to be a Related Entity, then he may exercise all his outstanding Options within twelve (12) months after he so ceases and any such Options not so exercised shall lapse and determine at the end of the said period of twelve (12) months;
- (ii) in the event the Option Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant by reason of death before exercising the Option in full and none of the events which would be a ground for termination of the Option Holder's employment, directorship, office, appointment or engagement under sub-paragraph (iii) below arises prior to his or her death the legal personal representative(s) of the Option Holder shall be entitled within a period of twelve (12) months from the date of death, to exercise the Option up to the entitlement of such Option Holder as at the date of death in whole or in part (to the extent which has become exercisable and not already exercised);
- (iii) in the event that the Option Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant by reason of the termination of his or her employment, directorship, office, appointment or engagement on the grounds that he or she has been guilty of misconduct, or has been in breach of material term of the relevant employment contract, service contract, agency contract or engagement contract (as the case may be), or appears either to be unable to pay or have no reasonable prospect to be able to pay debts within the meaning of any applicable legislation in relation to bankruptcy or insolvency, or has become bankrupt or insolvent, or has been served a petition for bankruptcy or winding up, or has made any arrangements or composition with his or her creditors generally, or has been convicted of any criminal offence involving his or her integrity or honesty or (if so determined by the Board or the board of directors of the relevant company, as the case may be) on any other ground on which an employer, or an engaging party would be entitled to terminate his or her employment, directorship, office, appointment or engagement at common law or pursuant to any applicable laws or under the Option Holder's employment, service, agency or engagement contract (as the case may be) with the relevant company (as the case may be) or the employment, directorship, office, appointment or engagement of the Option Holder is terminated by the relevant company pursuant to the contract thereof without notice, and a resolution of the board of directors of the relevant member of the Group (as the case

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may be) to the effect that the employment, directorship, office, appointment or engagement of an Option Holder has or has not been terminated on one or more of the grounds specified in this sub-paragraph shall be conclusive and binding, then all his outstanding Options shall lapse and determine on the date he or she so ceases; in addition, in such event, any Option(s) exercised by the Option Holder the Shares of which have not been allotted shall, unless the Board determines otherwise, be deemed not to have been so exercised and the Company shall return to the Option Holder the amount of the Subscription Price for the Shares in respect of the purported exercise of such Option(s);

- (iv) in the event that the Option Holder ceases to be an Eligible Participant by reason of his or her retirement in accordance with his or her contract of employment or service, any outstanding Option(s) may be exercised during the Option Period subject to the criteria and conditions set out in the option letter; and
- (v) for any reason other than as described in sub-paragraphs (i) to (iv) above, then all Options of his or her which are exercisable at the date he or she ceases to be an Eligible Participant may be exercised to the extent then exercisable within three (3) months of the date he or she so ceases and unless so exercised shall then lapse and determine;

provided always that in each case the Directors in their absolute discretion may decide that such Options or any part thereof shall not so lapse or determine subject to such conditions or limitations as they may decide.

### 13. DURATION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The 2023 Share Option Scheme will remain in force for a period of ten (10) years commencing on the Effective Date (the "**Scheme Period**").

### 14. LAPSE OF OPTION

An Option shall lapse automatically and not be exercisable (to the extent not already exercised) on the earliest of:-

- 14.1 the expiry of the Option Period;
- 14.2 the expiry of any of the periods referred to in paragraphs 9, 10 (unless otherwise determined by the Directors), 11 and 12 above;
- 14.3 the date on which the Option Holder commits a breach of paragraph 18 below, if the Directors shall exercise the Company's right to cancel any outstanding Option or part thereof granted; or
- 14.4 the date on which the Option is cancelled by the Directors as provided in paragraph 16 below.

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The Company shall owe no liability to an Option Holder for the lapse of any Option under this paragraph 14.

### **15. ADJUSTMENT**

In the event of any alternation in the capital structure of the Company which arises or may arise immediately following the commencement of the Scheme Period from any issue of shares in or other securities of the Company by way of reduction, subdivision or consolidation of the share capital of the Company or any capitalisation issue or rights issue which the Board considers an adjustment necessary under this paragraph 15, the Option Price, the Individual Limit in relation to any Option Holder and/or the amounts of multiples of Shares capable of being exercised pursuant to the 2023 Share Option Scheme, may be adjusted in such manner as the Directors (having received a statement in writing from the independent auditors or independent financial adviser of the Company, that in their opinion the adjustments proposed are fair and reasonable and at the same time satisfy the requirements of the Listing Rules) may deem appropriate, provided always that no such adjustment shall have the effect of rendering:-

- (a) the aggregate Subscription Price relating to any Option being increased;
- (b) the proportion of equity capital, rounded to the nearest whole share of the Company to which the Option Holder is entitled after the adjustment(s) becoming effective not being the same as that to which he or she was entitled before;
- (c) the aggregate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company available for the grant of Options shall not be greater than the Scheme Mandate Limit (subject to adjustments); and
- (d) the intrinsic value of any Option to have increased to the advantage of the Option Holder.

In addition, in respect of any adjustments under this paragraph 15, other than any made on a capitalisation issue, the independent auditors or independent financial adviser of the Company must confirm to the Directors in writing that the adjustments satisfy the requirements of the relevant provision of the Listing Rules.

#### 16. CANCELLATION OF OPTIONS GRANTED

Options granted and accepted but not exercised may not be cancelled without the consent of the relevant Option Holder thereof and any new Options (or any other options) issued in replacement of Options cancelled may only be issued under the 2023 Share Option Scheme (or the Other Schemes) with available Scheme Mandate Limit and Service Provider Sublimit approved by the Shareholders as mentioned in paragraph 3 above. The Options cancelled will be regarded as utilised for the purpose of calculating the Scheme Mandate Limit and Service Provider Sublimit.

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### 17. TERMINATION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company by resolution in the general meeting may at any time terminate the operation of the 2023 Share Option Scheme before the expiry of the Scheme Period and in such event, no further offer to grant an Option shall be made but in all other respects the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme shall remain in force. Upon such termination, details of the Options granted (including options exercised or outstanding) and (if applicable) Options that become void or non-exercisable as a result of the termination under the 2023 Share Option Scheme are required under the Listing Rules to be disclosed in the circular to the Shareholders seeking their approval of the first new scheme established thereunder or refreshment of any scheme mandate limit under any existing Other Schemes after such termination. All Options granted and accepted prior to such termination shall continue to be valid and exercisable in accordance with their terms and the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme, and accordingly no relevant disclosure in relation to the Options that become void or non-exercisable as a result of the termination will be included in the circular to the Shareholders as such disclosure is not applicable.

### **18. TRANSFERABILITY OF OPTIONS**

An Option shall be personal to the Option Holder and shall not be transferable and no Option Holder shall in any way sell, transfer, charge, mortgage, encumber or create any interest in favour of any third party over or in relation to any Option, unless a waiver is granted by the Stock Exchange. Any breach of the foregoing shall entitle the Company to cancel any outstanding Option or part thereof granted to such Option Holder.

### 19. ALTERATION OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

- 19.1 The Directors may from time to time in their absolute discretion waive or amend such of the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme as they deem desirable, provided that, except with the prior sanction of the Shareholders in the general meeting, no alteration shall be made to the 2023 Share Option Scheme altering to the advantage of Option Holders (present or future) any of the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme as to the definitions of "Eligible Participants", "Option Period" and "Scheme Period" in sub-paragraph 1.1 of the 2023 Share Option Scheme, the terms and conditions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme which are of a material nature and all such other matters set out in Rule 17.03 of the Listing Rules.
- 19.2 No amendments to the 2023 Share Option Scheme shall be made which would have the effect of abrogating or altering adversely any of the subsisting rights of Option Holders except with such consent on their part as would be required under the provisions of the Articles of Association as if the Options constituted a separate class of share capital and as if such provisions applied mutatis mutandis thereto.

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- 19.3 Change to the terms of the Options granted to an Eligible Participant must be approved by the Board, the Remuneration Committee, the INEDs and/or Shareholders (as the case may be) if the initial grant of the Options was approved by the Board, the Remuneration Committee, the INEDs and/or the Shareholders (as the case may be). This requirement does not apply where the alterations take effect automatically under the existing terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme.
- 19.4 Save as otherwise provided in the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme, an amendment of a material nature to the 2023 Share Option Scheme may not be made by the Directors, without the prior approval of Shareholders in the general meeting.
- 19.5 The amended terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or the Options must still comply with the relevant requirements of the Listing Rules.
- 19.6 Any change to the authority of the Directors or scheme administrators to alter the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme must be approved by the Shareholders in the general meeting.

### 20. PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND CLAWBACK MECHANISM

Unless otherwise imposed by the Directors and stated in the relevant offer letter, there is neither any performance targets required to be achieved by any Option Holder before an Option is capable of being exercised by the Option Holder nor any clawback mechanism under the 2023 Share Option Scheme for the Company to recover or withhold any remuneration (which may include Options granted to any Option Holder) to any Eligible Participants in the event of serious misconduct, a material misstatement in the Company's financial statements or other circumstances.

### 21. GRANT OF OPTIONS TO CONNECTED PERSONS

- 21.1 In addition to paragraph 4 above, any grant of Options to an Eligible Participant who is a Director, chief executive or substantial shareholder of the Company or their respective associates must be approved by the INEDs (excluding any INED who is a proposed grantee of the relevant Options) and shall comply with the requirements of Rule 17.04 of the Listing Rules.
- 21.2 Where Options are proposed to be granted to an INED or a substantial Shareholder, or any of their respective associates and if such grant would result in the total number of Shares issued and to be issued in respect of all options and awards (excluding any options and awards lapsed in accordance with the terms of the 2023 Share Option Scheme) granted to such person in the twelve (12)-month period up to and including the date of grant to such person representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the relevant class of Shares, then the proposed grant must be subject to the approval of the Shareholders taken on a poll in a general meeting.

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21.3 In the circumstances described in paragraph 21.2 above, the Company must send a circular to the Shareholders setting out the details as required under Rule 17.04(5) of the Listing Rules. The relevant Option Holder, his or her associates and all core connected persons of the Company must abstain from voting in favour at such general meeting, The Company must comply with the requirements set out in Rules 13.40, 13.41 and 13.42 of the Listing Rules.

#### 22. CONDITIONS OF THE 2023 SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The 2023 Share Option Scheme shall take effect upon satisfaction of the following conditions:-

- 22.1 the passing of the necessary resolutions by the Shareholders in a general meeting to adopt the 2023 Share Option Scheme and to authorise the Directors to grant Options to subscribe for Shares hereunder and to allot, issue and deal with Shares pursuant to the exercise of any Options granted under the 2023 Share Option Scheme;
- 22.2 the passing of an ordinary resolution by the Shareholders in a general meeting to terminate the Existing Share Option Scheme; and
- 22.3 the approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, any Shares to be issued and allotted pursuant to the exercise of Options under the 2023 Share Option Scheme, being granted by the Listing Committee. If such approval, listing or permission is not granted, then the 2023 Share Option Scheme shall forthwith determine and any Option granted or agreed to be granted pursuant to provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme and any offer of Options shall be of no effect after which, no person shall be entitled to any rights or benefits or be under any obligation under or in respect of the 2023 Share Option Scheme or any Option.

### 23. RANKING OF SHARES

The Shares to be allotted upon the exercise of an Option will be subject to all the provisions of the Articles of Association for the time being in force and will rank pari passu with the fully paid Shares in issue on the date of allotment and accordingly will entitle the holders thereof to participate in all dividends or other distributions paid or made on or after the date of allotment other than any dividend or other distribution previously declared or recommended or resolved to be paid or made. The Shares to be allotted upon the exercise of an option will not carry voting rights until completion of the registration of the Option Holder (or any other person) as the holder of those Shares.

#### 24. RESTRICTION ON THE TIME OF GRANT OF OPTIONS

No offer of an Option shall be made and no Option shall be granted to any Eligible Participant after a price sensitive event has occurred or a price sensitive matter has been the subject of a decision or inside information has come to the Company's knowledge until such price sensitive information or inside information has been publicly disseminated in accordance with the Listing Rules or during any

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period of time which is prohibited from any such offer and/or grant under the Listing Rules or any applicable law. In particular, no Option shall be granted during the period commencing one month immediately preceding the earlier of the date of the Board meeting (such date as first notified to the Stock Exchange in accordance with the Listing Rules) for the approval of the Company's results for any year, half-year, quarterly or any other interim period (whether or not required under the Listing Rules) and the deadline for the Company to publish an announcement of its results for any year, half-year, quarterly or any other interim period (whether or not required under the Listing Rules), and ending on the date of the results announcement.



### NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the hybrid extraordinary general meeting (the "EGM") of Time Interconnect Technology Limited (the "Company") will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, 21 March 2023 with the combination of a physical meeting at Units 213-221, 2/F, Building 5E, 5 Science Park East Avenue, Hong Kong Science Park, Shatin, Hong Kong and a virtual meeting online via Tricor e-Meeting System for the following purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing with or without amendment, the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

### **ORDINARY RESOLUTIONS**

### 1. **"THAT**

- (a) the share option scheme adopted by the Company on 24 January 2018 be and is hereby terminated (save with respect to any outstanding, issued and unexercised options thereof) with effect from the conclusion of the EGM;
- (b) subject to and conditional upon the passing of the resolution in paragraph (a) hereinabove and the Listing Committee of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Stock Exchange") granting the approval for the listing of, and permission to deal in, the shares in the capital of the Company ("Shares") which may fall to be issued and allotted pursuant to the exercise of any options that may be granted under the share option scheme of the Company (the rules of which are contained in the document marked "A" produced to the EGM and signed by the chairman of the EGM for the purpose of identification) ("2023 Share Option Scheme"), the 2023 Share Option Scheme be and is hereby approved and adopted and the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to do all such acts and to enter into all such transactions, arrangements and agreements as may be necessary or expedient in order to give full effect to the 2023 Share Option Scheme including without limitation:
  - to administer the 2023 Share Option Scheme under which options will be granted to eligible participants under the 2023 Share Option Scheme to subscribe for Shares;

- (ii) to modify and/or amend the 2023 Share Option Scheme from time to time provided that such modification and/or amendment is effected in accordance with the provisions of the 2023 Share Option Scheme relating to modification and/or amendment;
- (iii) to issue and allot from time to time such number of Shares as may be required to be issued pursuant to the exercise of the options under the 2023 Share Option Scheme and subject to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange;
- (iv) to make application at the appropriate time or times to the Stock Exchange for the listing of, and permission to deal in any Shares which may thereafter from time to time be issued and allotted pursuant to the exercise of the options under the 2023 Share Option Scheme; and
- (v) to consent, if they deem fit and expedient, to such conditions, modifications and/or variations as may be required or imposed by the relevant authorities in relation to the 2023 Share Option Scheme."
- 2. "THAT the Scheme Mandate Limit (as defined in the 2023 Share Option Scheme) on the total number of Shares that may be issued in respect of all options and awards to be granted to the eligible participants under all the share schemes of the Company (i.e. 10% of the Shares in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution) be and is hereby approved and adopted and the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take all such steps and attend all such matters, approve and execute (whether under hand or under seal) such documents and do such other things, for and on behalf of the Company, as the directors of the Company may consider necessary, desirable or expedient to effect and implement the Scheme Mandate Limit."
- 3. "THAT the Service Provider Sublimit (as defined in the 2023 Share Option Scheme) on the total number of Shares that may be issued in respect of all options and awards to be granted to service providers under all the share schemes of the Company (i.e. 1% of the Shares in issue as at the date of passing of this resolution) be and is hereby approved and adopted and the directors of the Company be and are hereby authorised to take all such steps and attend all such matters, approve and execute (whether under hand or under seal) such documents and do such other things, for and on behalf of the Company, as the directors of the Company may consider necessary, desirable or expedient to effect and implement the Service Provider Sublimit."

By order of the Board **Time Interconnect Technology Limited Cua Tin Yin Simon** *Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer* 

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Notes:

- 1. A form of proxy for the EGM is enclosed.
- 2. Only members are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting (or at any adjournment thereof).
- 3. Any member of the Company entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company shall be entitled to appoint one or more proxies (who must be an individual) to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 4. The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing, or if the appointor is a corporation, either under its seal or under the hand of an officer, attorney or other person duly authorised to sign the same.

In order to be valid, the proxy form, together with the power of attorney or other authority (if any) under which it is signed or a certified copy thereof, must be deposited at the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar and transfer office, Tricor Investor Services Limited at 17/F, Far East Finance Centre, 16 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong not less than 48 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be).

- 5. Completion and return of a proxy form shall not preclude a member from attending and voting in person or online via Tricor e-Meeting System at the meeting or any adjournment thereof (as the case may be) should the member so wish, and in such event, the proxy form shall be deemed to be revoked.
- 6. Where there are joint holders of any share of the Company, any one of such joint holders may vote, either in person or by proxy, in respect of such share as if he/she were solely entitled thereto, but if more than one of such joint holders be present at any meeting, the vote of the senior holder who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint holders, and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stand in the register of members of the Company in respect of the joint holding.
- 7. The Company will conduct a hybrid EGM using Tricor e-Meeting System, which allows Shareholders to participate the EGM online in a convenient and efficient way from anywhere with an internet connection. Shareholders will be able to view the live video broadcast and participate in voting and submit questions in written form to the EGM via their smartphones, tablet, or computers. The live broadcast option can also broaden the reach of the EGM to Shareholders who do not wish to attend physically due to concerns on attending large scale events under the current COVID-19 situation, or for other overseas Shareholders who are unable to attend in person.
- 8. Although Shareholders are welcome to attend the EGM physically in person if they so wish, the Company recommends Shareholders to attend the EGM online via Tricor e-Meeting System, as physical attendance at the EGM by a Shareholder is not necessary for the purpose of exercising voting rights. The Company will be undertaking measures to safeguard the health and well-being of Shareholders (or their proxies) who are attending the EGM in person, including requiring all participants to wear a surgical face mask at the meeting venue. If the venue of the EGM is closed in response to COVID-19, the EGM will continue to be held via the online platform.

For online voting at the EGM, Shareholders can refer to the letter regarding the Tricor e-Meeting System which will be despatched later and the Online Meeting User Guide (by visiting the hyperlink or scanning the QR code as printed therein) for details.

If you have any queries on the above, please contact the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited, via their hotline at (852) 2975 0928 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Monday to Friday, excluding Hong Kong public holidays).

- 9. Shareholders who wish to attend the EGM and exercise their voting rights can be achieved in one of the following ways:
  - (1) attend the EGM in person and vote via smartphones or designated mobile devices at the EGM venue; or
  - (2) attend the EGM via Tricor e-Meeting System which enables live streaming and interactive platform for Q&A and submit their voting online; or
  - (3) appoint chairman of the EGM or other persons as your proxy to vote on your behalf. Your proxy's authority and instruction will be revoked if you attend and vote in person at the EGM or via Tricor e-Meeting system.

If you are a non-registered holder, you should contact your banks, brokers, custodians, nominees or HKSCC Nominees Limited through which your shares are held (as the case may be) (collectively the "**Intermediary**") and instruct the Intermediary to appoint you as proxy or corporate representative to attend, vote and submit questions online via Tricor e-Meeting System at the EGM and in doing so, you will be asked to provide your email address. Details regarding the Tricor e-Meeting System including the login details will be emailed to you by the Company's branch share registrar in Hong Kong, Tricor Investor Services Limited.

For corporate Shareholders who wish to attend the EGM and to vote online, please contact the Company's Hong Kong branch share registrar at (852) 2975 0928 on or before Monday, 20 March 2023 for arrangement.