

International Press Release

TIC The Internet Company Ltd. is Extending its China-Network and Opens New POP at «Suzhou Industrial Park»

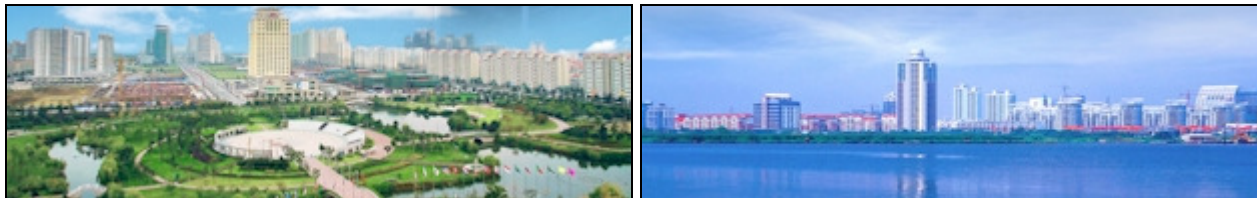
Zurich, Switzerland & Shanghai, China, 15th May 2006 – TIC The Internet Company Ltd. is further expanding its network in China and opens an additional POP (Point-of-Presence) at one of the most important economic zones in China – the «Suzhou Industrial Park». Worldwide highly reputable companies and production facilities already have there branches at the «Suzhou Industrial Park». TIC The Internet Company Ltd. is capable to offer these companies high end international VPN connections between Europe and China.

100 km east of Shanghai, the Suzhou Industrial Park is perfectly located between the two important Chinese economic zones «Coastal Economic Belt» and «Yangtze River Belt». Worldwide operating companies already have their branches at the Suzhou Industrial Park or are planning to build-up branches and production facilities. TIC The Internet Company Ltd. has decided to construct a further China-POP (Point of Presence) within this important Chinese economic zone to satisfy the demand on international VPN connections between Europe and China.

«Demands of China-Internet Services are enormous and concern VPN, Server Housing, ADSL, Data Centers, Managed services up to extensive Voice-Interconnections. Most of international data traffic is routed via the US to Europe. This often creates technical problems. TIC The Internet Company Ltd. can offer its customers direct VPN connections between China and Europe, which results in much higher quality and more reliable data connections» says Franz Grüter, CEO and President of TIC The Internet Company Ltd.

The economic power of China is impressive and is still growing rapidly. The area of Suzhou is one of the economically most growing areas within China. The past 11 years this area has reached an average annual economic growth rate of 45%! The local production has grown 38% in 2004. Franz Grüter, CEO and President of TIC The Internet Company Ltd., says **«this huge economic growth gives TIC The Internet Company Ltd. an enormous potential»**.

TIC The Internet Company Ltd. will further extend its position as an international Full Service Internet and IT Provider with additional POP's (Points of Presence), own branches as well as national and international partner ships. Entering the Suzhou Industrial Park is a further step in that success strategy.



Pictures: Impressions of Suzhou Industrial Park, China, 100 km east of Shanghai.

About TIC The Internet Company AG – Zurich, Geneva, Shanghai



TIC The Internet Company Ltd. is an internationally targeted full service Internet-Provider for professional LAN and WAN solutions designed for the high demands of its customers. The independent Gigabit IP Network (AS1836) with multiple redundant interworking and sophisticated datacenters fulfills highest standards as much for national as international customers in IP-VPNs, MPLS, WiMAX, Mobile Office, Mobile Mail, Hosted Exchange, VoIP Internet Telephony and Internet Access.

The pan European business operating area covers Switzerland and includes many partnerships in Europe, North-America and China.

Innovative IT solutions, reaching from infrastructure companies with managed solutions to entire outsourcing services, reduce the costs, staying at all times secure and productive. The Managed Security portfolio and the 7x24 Customer Care services add to the up-to-date range of services of TIC.

TIC The Internet Company Ltd. is a privately owned company of Solution24 Ltd., Switzerland, emerged from VIA NET.WORKS Switzerland and TIC.

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