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For immediate release

9 November 2017

ContourGlobal plc

Publication of Prospectus

Following the pricing announcement published earlier today in connection with its initial public offering (the “Global Offer”), ContourGlobal plc (the “Company”) confirms that the Prospectus has today been approved by the UK Listing Authority.

The Prospectus relates to the proposed admission of the Company’s ordinary shares (the “Shares”) to the premium listing segment of the Official List of the FCA and to trading on the main market for listed securities of London Stock Exchange plc (“Admission”).

Details of the Global Offer are set out in the Prospectus, which will shortly be available on the Company’s website at www.contourglobal.com and at the Company’s registered office at 15 Berkeley Street 6th Floor, London W1J 8DY, United Kingdom, subject to applicable securities laws.

The Prospectus has also been submitted to the National Storage Mechanism and will shortly be available at: www.morningstar.co.uk/uk/NSM.

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The Global Offer timetable, including the publication of the Prospectus and/or the date of Admission, may be influenced by a range of circumstances, including market conditions. There is no guarantee that the Prospectus will be published or that Admission will occur and you should not base your financial decisions on the Company’s intentions in relation to the Global Offer and Admission at this stage. Acquiring investments to which this announcement relates may expose an investor to a significant risk of losing all of the amount invested. This announcement does not constitute a recommendation concerning the Global Offer. The price and value of securities can go down as well as up. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Information in this announcement or any of the documents relating to the Global Offer cannot be relied upon as a guide to future performance. Potential investors should consult a professional adviser as to the suitability of the Global Offer for the person concerned.

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Each of the Company, the Banks and their respective affiliates expressly disclaims any obligation or undertaking to update, review or revise any forward looking statement contained in this announcement whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

In connection with the Global Offer, any of the Banks or any of their respective affiliates, acting as investors for their own accounts, may subscribe for or purchase Shares and in that capacity may retain, purchase, sell, offer to sell or otherwise deal for their own accounts in such Shares and other securities of the Company or related investments in connection with the Global Offer or otherwise. Accordingly, references in the Prospectus, once published, to the Shares being issued, offered, subscribed, acquired, placed or otherwise dealt in should be read as including any issue or offer to, or subscription, acquisition, placing or dealing by Banks or any of their respective affiliates acting as investors for their own accounts. None of the Banks nor any of their respective affiliates intends to disclose the extent of any such investment or transactions otherwise than in accordance with any legal or regulatory obligations to do so.
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In connection with the Global Offer, Goldman Sachs International as stabilising manager (the “Stabilising Manager”), or any of its agents, may (but will be under no obligation to), to the extent permitted by applicable law, over-allot Shares or effect other stabilization transactions with a view to supporting the market price of the Shares at a higher level than that which might otherwise prevail in the open market. The Stabilising Manager will not be required to enter into such transactions and such transactions may be effected on any securities market, over-the-counter market, stock exchange or otherwise and may be undertaken at any time during the period commencing on the date of the commencement of conditional dealings of the Shares on the London Stock Exchange and ending no later than 30 calendar days thereafter. However, there will be no obligation on the Stabilising Manager or any of its agents to effect stabilising transactions and there is no assurance that stabilising transactions will be undertaken. Such stabilisation, if commenced, may be discontinued at any time without prior notice. In no event will measures be taken to stabilise the market price of the Shares above the offer price. Except as required by law or regulation, neither the Stabilising Manager nor any of its agents intends to disclose the extent of any over-allotments made and/or stabilisation transactions conducted in relation to the Global Offer.

In connection with the Global Offer, the Stabilising Manager may, for stabilisation purposes, over-allot Shares up to a maximum of 15% of the total number of Shares comprised in the Global Offer. For the purposes of allowing the Stabilising Manager to cover short positions resulting from any such over-allotments and/or from sales of Shares effected by it during the stabilising period, the Major Shareholder will grant an over-allotment option to the Stabilising Manager (the “Over-allotment Option”) under the underwriting agreement between, inter alia, the Banks and the Company, pursuant to which the Stabilising Manager may require the Major Shareholder to sell additional Shares up to a maximum of 15% of the total number of Shares comprised in the Global Offer (the “Over-allotment Shares”) at the offer price. The Over-allotment Option will be exercisable in whole or in part, upon notice by the Stabilising Manager, at any time on or before the 30th calendar day after the commencement of conditional dealings of the Shares on the London Stock Exchange. Any Over-allotment Shares made available pursuant to the Over-allotment Option will rank pari passu in all respects with the Shares, including for all dividends and other distributions declared, made or paid on the Shares, will be purchased on the same terms and conditions as the Shares being issued or sold in the Global Offer and will form a single class for all purposes with the other Shares.