

ChinaNet Participated in 2013 China Best Ideas Investment Conference

BEIJING, Sept. 12, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc. (Nasdaq:CNET) (the "Company" or "ChinaNet"), a leading B2B (business to business) Internet technology company focusing on providing online-to-offline ("O2O") sales channel expansion services for small businesses (so-called small and medium-sized enterprises ("SMEs") in China) and entrepreneurial management and LINK services for entrepreneurs in the People's Republic of China, today announced that the Company participated in the 2013 China Best Ideas Investment Conference held at the Four Seasons Hotel in Beijing, China on September 10, 2013.

The 2013 China Best Ideas Investment Conference, hosted by CCG and Marcum Bernstein & Pinchuk, provided investors with the opportunity to meet with senior management of Chinese companies that have weathered the storm of economic uncertainty and have shown a strong commitment to shareholder value. This one-day event featured 30 companies in the healthcare, technology, consumer products and specialty industrial sectors.

The conference drew over 300 investors, including fund managers, private equity, analysts, family offices, investment advisors and high net worth individuals. To access a replay of ChinaNet's presentation at the 2013 China Best Ideas Investment Conference, please visit the Company's website at <u>www.chinanet-online.com</u>.

About ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc.

The Company, a parent company of ChinaNet Online Media Group Ltd., incorporated in the BVI ("ChinaNet"), is a leading B2B (business to business) Internet technology company focusing on providing O2O (online to offline) sales channel expansion service for small businesses (or so-called small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in China) and entrepreneurial management and LINK service for entrepreneurs in China. The Company, through certain contractual arrangements with operating companies in the PRC, provides Internet advertising and other services for Chinese small businesses via its portal websites, <u>28.com</u>, <u>Liansuo.com</u> and <u>Chuangye.com</u> (for entrepreneurs' Linking services), TV commercials and program production via China-Net TV, and in-house LCD advertising on banking kiosks targeting Chinese banking patrons. Website: http://www.chinanet-online.com.

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