

Ericsson wins IMS contract with ArmenTel in Armenia

Ericsson (NASDAQ:ERIC) has been selected by ArmenTel, VimpelCom's operator in Armenia, as the supplier and systems integrator of an IP Multimedia Subsystem solution that will deliver a next-generation network, supporting integrated fixed and mobile services.

Under the agreement, Ericsson will transform ArmenTel's existing fixed network into an IMS-based, fixed and mobile convergent network.

The deal includes Ericsson systems integration services of required IP-platforms and applications to enable convergent IMS service offering, such as IP telephony and multimedia services to consumers and business customers. Ericsson will also provide a wide range of professional services, including consulting and support.

IMS-based services enable personalized communication through various media such as voice, text, pictures and video. Ericsson's IMS solution is an end-to-end offering for fixed and mobile operators. It supports the introduction of flexible and scalable advanced services across a range of end user devices, while helping operators leverage their existing investments.

IMS also represents the evolution of converged mobile and fixed-control networks to all-IP, providing flexibility to support broadband services.

Dmitry Pleskonos, Vice President of VimpelCom, says: "We are glad that long-term cooperation with Ericsson as mobile systems supplier served as a basis for the extension of our partnership in such an important area as mobile-fixed convergence, where we see great potential. Ericsson's advanced end-to-end solution will allow our subscribers to enjoy a wide range of hi-end telecom services."

Zoran Lukovic, Vice President, Ericsson Eastern Europe and Central Asia, says: "We are proud to become ArmenTel's partner in this milestone project. Ericsson IMS offers an attractive user experience by enabling telecom operators to combine today's and tomorrow's applications in an integrated service offering."

Ericsson is the world's leading provider of technology and services to telecom operators. The market leader in 2G and 3G mobile technologies, Ericsson supplies communications services and manages networks that serve more than 185 million subscribers. The company's portfolio comprises mobile and fixed network infrastructure, and broadband and multimedia solutions for operators, enterprises and developers. The Sony Ericsson joint venture provides consumers with feature-rich personal mobile devices.

Ericsson is advancing its vision of 'communication for all' through innovation, technology, and sustainable business solutions. Working in 175 countries, more than 70,000 employees generated revenue of USD 27.9 billion (SEK 189 billion) in 2007. Founded in 1876 and headquartered in Stockholm, Sweden, Ericsson is listed on the Stockholm, London and NASDAQ stock exchanges.

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About Ericsson IMS Solution

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