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Press Release

Rohde & Schwarz and Signalion start with interoperability tests of LTE test platforms

Munich/Dresden: Rohde & Schwarz and Signalion announced today the start of a series of interoperability tests (IOT) sessions for their LTE test equipment. These tests are used by both companies to verify their compliance with the current status of LTE standardization.

Rohde & Schwarz was the first supplier on the market with test solutions for LTE signal generation and analysis. Furthermore, the R&S CMW500 LTE protocol tester facilitates all stages of UMTS LTE UE physical layer and protocol stack development according to 3GPP Release 8 LTE specifications – from early R&D integration to final LTE UE conformance and certification testing.

By offering its SORBAS test product series, Signalion provides an air-interface test system for functional and load tests of LTE infrastructure equipment.

"Our aim is to provide a reference that enables our customers to ensure 3GPP compliance of their implementations. It is therefore vital to ensure interoperability between test equipment from different vendors. This secures fast and smooth LTE product development for our customers", says Dr. Matthias Stege, Director of Marketing and Sales at Signalion.

"The R&S CMW500 LTE protocol tester already addresses the early stages of UE development. For chipset and handset manufacturers, it provides a reliable 3GPP compliant reference for functional and performance testing", remarks Anton Messmer, Director of the Mobile Radio Testers Subdivision at Rohde & Schwarz.

Both companies are members of the LTE/SAE Trial Initiative (LSTI). The objective of this joint initiative is to drive the implementation of the next generation of high performance mobile broadband networks based on 3GPP LTE. The series of IOT sessions between the two measurement equipment manufacturers provides a reliable basis for LTE field trials and the commercialization of LTE. Moreover, it will help ensure further IOT milestones and time to market.

About Signalion:

Signalion is an established provider of air-interface diagnostics solutions for 3GPP LTE. Having introduced the first LTE test UE to the market, Signalion is a pioneer in providing new features and solutions in the context of LTE infrastructure testing.

The company combines the unique experience of many years of wireless research, algorithm implementation, and leading edge wireless system development.

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<http://www.signalion.com/>

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About Rohde & Schwarz:

Rohde & Schwarz is an independent group of companies specializing in electronics. It is a leading supplier of solutions in the fields of test and measurement, broadcasting, radiomonitoring and radiolocation, as well as secure communications. Established 75 years ago, Rohde & Schwarz has a global presence and a dedicated service network in over 70 countries. It has approx. 7200 employees and achieved a net revenue of € 1.4 billion (US\$ 1.9 billion) in fiscal year 2006/2007 (July 2006 to June 2007). Company headquarters are in Munich, Germany.

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<http://www.rohde-schwarz.com/>

About LSTI:

The LTE/SAE Trial Initiative (LSTI) is a global, collaborative technology trial initiative focused on accelerating the availability of commercial and interoperable next generation LTE mobile broadband systems. The Initiative was formally launched in May 2007 by leading telecommunications companies: Alcatel-Lucent, Ericsson, Orange, Nokia, Nokia Siemens Networks, Nortel, T-Mobile and Vodafone. Since its inception, LSTI has expanded to also include in its membership Agilent Technologies, China Mobile, Huawei, LG Electronics, Motorola, NTT DoCoMo, NXP, Rohde & Schwarz, Samsung, Signalion, Telecom Italia, Telefonica, Qualcomm, and ZTE.

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