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Major Industry leaders participating in RCS VoLTE Interoperability event

Fremont, CA, June 26, 2012 – The MSF, ETSI and GSMA today announced that in response to industry interest, they will offer an additional sign-up window for the RCS VoLTE interoperability event that will take place from September 24th to October 12th, 2012. Applications are now being accepted up through July 30, 2012 for the event that will take place in two labs hosted by Telecom Slovenia Group in Sinteseo, Kranj, Slovenia and by China Mobile in China Mobile Research Institute Laboratory in Beijing, China.

Event sponsors Verizon and Radisys are joined by Alepo, Broadsoft, Cisco, Exfo, GENBAND, JDSU, Tekelec and Ulticom in participating in testing the upcoming deployment scenarios and technologies in the RCS VoLTE Interoperability event.

The goal of the interoperability event is not only to test UE usability and functionality, but also to add the testing of the critical network components together with roaming scenarios. This allows the participants to gain knowledge of real network deployments.

“MultiService Forum IOT events have given us a great opportunity to understand how other vendors and operators have thought of deploying LTE solutions” said Wang Jing from China Mobile Research Institute “at the same time these events act as a location to test all the deployment scenarios before going live thus enhancing quality in the networks.”

All vendors and operators are invited to join in the event. The registration deadline date is July 30th 2012.

For more information about participation in this event please see the Application Instructions at <http://www.msforum.org/interoperability/RCSVoLTE.shtml>.

About RCS VoLTE IOT Event 2012

The MultiService Forum (MSF), European Telecoms Standards Institute (ETSI) and GSM Association (GSMA) are organizing a RCS VoLTE Interoperability Event 2012 focusing on validating core network interfaces to ensure multi-vendor deployment strategies for RCS and VoLTE technology. The event will endorse and test a number of GSMA PRDs and will validate the Testing Scenarios developed by MSF and ETSI to facilitate multi-vendor deployment of LTE./EPC/IMS technology for RCS and VoLTE services. The event builds on the major success of the previous MSF VoLTE Interoperability Event that took place during September 2011.

About the MSF

The MultiService Forum (www.msforum.org) is a global association of service providers, system suppliers and test equipment vendors committed to developing and promoting open-architecture, multiservice Next Generation Networks. Founded in 1998, the MSF is an open-membership

organization comprised of the world's leading telecommunications companies. The MSF's activities include developing Implementation Agreements, promoting worldwide compatibility and interoperability of network elements, and encouraging input to appropriate national and international standards bodies.

About GSMA

The GSMA represents the interests of mobile operators worldwide. Spanning more than 220 countries, the GSMA unites nearly 800 of the world's mobile operators, as well as more than 200 companies in the broader mobile ecosystem, including handset makers, software companies, equipment providers, Internet companies, and media and entertainment organisations. The GSMA also produces industry-leading events such as the Mobile World Congress and Mobile Asia Expo. For more information, please visit the GSMA corporate website at www.gsma.com or Mobile World Live, the online portal for the mobile communications industry, at www.mobileworldlive.com

About ETSI

ETSI produces globally-applicable standards for Information and Communications Technologies (ICT), including fixed, mobile, radio, converged, aeronautical, broadcast and internet technologies and is officially recognized by the European Union as a European Standards Organization. ETSI is an independent, not-for-profit association whose more than 700 member companies and organizations, drawn from 62 countries across 5 continents worldwide, determine its work programme and participate directly in its work. For more information please visit: www.etsi.org ETSI Plugtests are interoperability test events that cover a wide range of telecommunications, Internet, broadcasting and multimedia converging standards. For more information, please visit: www.etsi.org/plugtests

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