

7 layers and ORGA Test Systems Collaboration on 3G Terminal Testing results in first validated 3G test

Ratingen, Germany, 17 February 2003: Leading independent provider of professional testing and support services, 7 layers, has entered into a collaboration agreement with ORGA Test Systems, the test solutions provider for SIM/USIM interface testing.

The agreement will provide manufacturers with enhanced levels of service and support when using ORGA Test Systems IT³ family of 2G and 3G terminal test solutions. As a result of the collaboration ORGA Test Systems was the first test equipment manufacturer to offer validated test cases for 3G terminal testing. Furthermore ORGA Test Systems will be able to offer direct access to expert services and support from 7 layers via their InterLab[®] system for professional testing.

"This agreement between the 2 companies enables our common customers to work with our high quality test solutions while benefiting from 7 layers expertise and services. By offering 3G test tools, validated 3G test cases and services in combination also with the InterLab[®] system for professional testing, we enable our customers to perform their testing work faster and to reduce product development cycles, which is the key to keep their 3G time-to-market schedules" says ORGA Test Systems' Managing Director Michael Wehmeier.

"Orga Test Systems and 7 layers offer for all in-house test labs the ideal combination of innovative products and full service for laboratory set-up, professional test procedures and up to date knowledge base. Our InterLab[®] solution guarantees most effective use of the ORGA test products during all phases from R&D testing up to certification processes such as GCF or PTCRB" adds Mr. Thomas Jaeger, Global InterLab[®] Manager at 7 layers. He explains that "InterLab[®] is fortunately much more than just a pure database system, but a fully operational system that makes test processes easy to organize and survey. Whole test processes, test equipment and test cases can directly be controlled and operated from every point to every other point in the world".

7 layers is an engineering company for the wireless communications industry with broad expertise in development, testing and qualification for Bluetooth[™], GSM, GPRS, 3G and other wireless technologies. Manufacturers, network operators and test houses all benefit from 7 layers' services, which range from optimisation of technology and product development via customized InterLab[®] solutions for professional testing to worldwide qualification services in our own InterLab[®] labs. 7 layers has service centres and laboratories in Germany, UK, USA and China.

ORGA Test Systems provides test solutions to manufacturers, network operators and test houses for the development and conformance testing of 2G, 2.5G and 3G mobile terminals, EMV(EuropayMastercardVisa) terminals and Smart Cards. Its solutions enable handset manufacturers to deliver reliable and standard compliant products to market and network operators to test the interoperability between terminals and SIM/USIM cards. ORGA Test Systems has over 10 years of expertise in the areas of Smart Card interfaces, terminal conformance tools and standardisation. ORGA Test Systems is located in Germany and has partner organisations in Asia and the USA.

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