

Hutchison 3G awards multi-channel contract to Volantis

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Volantis Systems Ltd, the leading provider of multi-channel software solutions, has today announced a contract with Hutchison 3G to deliver the multi-channel capability within the Hutchison 3G Service Delivery Platform (SDP). It will initially be deployed in the UK and later made available in every country where Hutchison Whampoa has 3G interests.

The Service Delivery Platform is to be the single logical point of customer access to Hutchison 3G's services. Volantis' Mariner solution will enable the efficient assembly and delivery of interactive content from diverse sources through digital channels. With Volantis, Hutchison 3G can manage the introduction, packaging and delivery of dynamic content from a number of partners. This announcement endorses Volantis Mariner as the multi-channel solution of choice within this highly competitive market.

Colin Tucker, managing director of Hutchison 3G, said: "The scalability and flexibility of the Volantis architecture was an important factor in our decision to choose them. This solution will help ensure optimum service delivery and customer experience, through all our devices."

Terry Davies, CEO Volantis, said: "The rigorous product selection process undertaken by Hutchison 3G yet again proves that Volantis Mariner is the dominant multi-channel delivery platform within the sector. We are delighted to be a part of the Hutchison 3G delivery infrastructure and are committed to helping them achieve their vision."

Notes to editors

1. Volantis Systems Ltd

Volantis Systems Ltd develops enterprise and carrier class infrastructure software for the Pervasive Internet. With Volantis, enterprises and telcos can increase their speed to market by rapidly delivering support for wireless and broadband devices, and future-proof their investment in interactive application development by dynamically adapting to new technologies in the market.

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2. Hutchison 3G

3G is a convergence of media, information and telephony which offers people access to information and entertainment services on the move, as well as more flexible working practises. The 3G standard (agreed throughout Europe, Japan, China, and the rest of Asia) is formally known as UMTS (Universal Mobile Telecommunications System). It represents a global standard for third generation communication systems and is at the heart of the Hutchison 3G initiative.

Hutchison 3G UK Ltd. ("Hutchison 3G") holds licence 'A' (a third-generation licence), which was issued by the UK government in May 2000. This licence was for the largest block of spectrum auctioned in the UK, as it was set-aside for a new entrant to the market. The licence consists of 15MHz of paired spectrum, and 5MHz of unpaired spectrum.

Hutchison Whampoa Limited holds a 65 per cent stake in Hutchison 3G, the other major shareholders are NTT DoCoMo (20 per cent) KPN Mobile (15 per cent).

For further information on Hutchison 3G please visit <http://www.hutchison3g.com> or call Firefly on 020 7386 1595.