

## **Gemalto Secures eGovernment Services for Oman**

Appointed by Omani Authority as Prime Contractor to lead national project

**Cards & Digital ID World Middle East, Abu Dhabi, May 15, 2012** – Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO), the world leader in digital security, announces it has been appointed by Oman Information Technology Authority (ITA) as prime contractor to secure the country's [eGovernment services](#). The full solution encompasses strong authentication and digital signature using the eID card, as well as mobile authentication using a mobile handset. This will allow citizens and residents of Oman to securely access eGovernment services, with the authentication method that best suits their lifestyles.

Acting as a turn-key solution provider, Gemalto is delivering the complete Coesys eGov2.0 software together with the associated services including training, support and maintenance. The solution will establish an infrastructure of trust with its citizens to expand the country's online government services offer and enhance the user experience.

Omanis can securely carry out administrative procedures online and digitally sign official documents and electronic forms without the need to physically visit government offices. The solution doesn't require any additional software installation from the end user and works on any personal computer.

*"Our goal is to increase security and broaden the range of government services available online to ease the lives of our citizens, while also modernizing our administrative processes and optimizing costs," said Salem Al-Russaqui, Chief Executive Officer, ITA Oman. "We are now linking the access management and security of our eGovernment portal with eID cards and mobile ID using mobile handsets. Gemalto's expertise in security software and system integration was instrumental to bridge the physical and online worlds."*

*"Oman has a proven track record in using innovative technology to pioneer eGovernment projects," added Hisham Surakhi, Sales Director for Government Programs in Middle East at Gemalto. "Following the successful implementation of eID cards with the e-purse and eVoting features, we are fully dedicated to supporting Oman in breaking new ground with an expanding range of new online services."*

## About Gemalto

Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO) is the world leader in digital security with 2011 annual revenues of €2 billion and more than 10,000 employees operating out of 74 offices and 14 Research & Development centers in 43 countries.

We are at the heart of our rapidly evolving digital society. Billions of people worldwide increasingly want the freedom to communicate, travel, shop, bank, entertain and work – anytime, everywhere – in ways that are convenient, enjoyable and secure. Gemalto delivers on their expanding needs for personal mobile services, payment security, identity protection, authenticated online services, cloud computing access, eHealthcare and eGovernment services, modern transportation solutions, M2M communication,.

Gemalto develops secure software that runs on trusted devices which we design and personalize. We manage these devices, the confidential data they contain and the services they enable, throughout their life cycle. We innovate so that our clients can offer more ways of enhancing the convenience and security of their end-users' digital lives.

Gemalto is thriving with the growing number of people using its software and secure devices to interact in the digital and wireless world.

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