

Alcatel-Lucent launches IP Transformation Center in India

First of its kind competency centre in Chennai to serve as innovation test bed for both Indian and global customers

Paris, September 8, 2009 - Alcatel-Lucent (Paris: Euronext and NYSE: ALU) today announced the launch of a new, state-of-the-art IP Transformation Center (IPTC) in Chennai, India. First center of its kind in the sub-continent, the IPTC will develop, integrate and test end-to-end IP networking solutions for Alcatel-Lucent's Indian and global customers as they migrate to next generation architectures.

Alcatel-Lucent's India IPTC enables service providers to design, test and integrate their solutions in a risk-free environment, as if it were their own network. It helps them shorten the IP transformation trajectory and their time to market while allowing them to keep costs under control and focus on serving their customers. The IPTC at Chennai hosts about 50 technologies.

The IPTC is networked with Alcatel-Lucent's existing IPTCs and network integration centers located in Antwerp, Belgium; Singapore; Murray Hill, Naperville and Plano in the USA, as well as with multiple R&D labs world-wide, including India. These centers, which share knowledge, resources and best practices, help service providers execute their IP Transformation projects.

Vivek Mohan, managing director, Alcatel-Lucent India said: "To survive in a hyper-competitive environment, service providers need to rapidly introduce new services, reduce operational costs, and enhance the customer experience. Alcatel-Lucent's IPTC will help service providers achieve these goals and shorten their IP transformation process while mitigating potential risks in areas such as network design, end-to-end integration, process reengineering and customer migration." This new facility will firmly establish Alcatel-Lucent in India as the leading network integrator locally and globally."

Alcatel-Lucent, a market leader in IP transformation, has strategic relationships with major service providers undergoing IP transformation giving it an unrivaled track record of over 40 projects worldwide.

In India, Alcatel-Lucent's R&D activities rely on 2,700 engineers and scientists working on 100,000 square feet of lab space. Alcatel-Lucent has established a Bell Labs research centre in Bangalore and has major software development centers at Gurgaon, Noida, Chennai, Bangalore and Hyderabad. Alcatel-Lucent has also a joint venture with CDOT (Government of India R&D Telecom organization) based in Chennai for the development of broadband wireless access solutions like WiMAX.

About Alcatel-Lucent

Alcatel-Lucent (Euronext Paris and NYSE: ALU) is the trusted partner of service providers, enterprises and governments worldwide, providing solutions to deliver voice, data and video communication services to end-users. A leader in fixed, mobile and converged broadband networking, IP technologies, applications and services, Alcatel-Lucent leverages the unrivalled technical and scientific expertise of Bell Labs, one of the largest innovation powerhouses in the communications industry. With operations in more than 130 countries and the most experienced global services organization in the industry, Alcatel-Lucent is a local partner with a global reach. Alcatel-Lucent achieved revenues of Euro 16.98 billion in 2008 and is incorporated in France, with executive offices located in Paris. For more information, visit Alcatel-Lucent on the Internet: <http://www.alcatel-lucent.com>

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