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INTRODUCTION

Dear WiMAX Forum Members,

March is a busy month for the WiMAX Forum as our staff is preparing for a number of upcoming events. Next week is the first WiMAX Forum Member Conference of 2012, which will be held at the Hilton Waikoloa Village in beautiful Hawaii from March 19 – 22nd. We strongly urge our members to attend this event and continue to contribute to the growth of our industry. Please visit our website to register:

<http://www.wimaxforum.org/events/member-conferences/wimax-forum-member-conference-hawaii-march-19-22-2012>

We will have some exciting news to announce about the organization following the event, so stay tuned.

Also coming soon is WiMAX South Asia, our next WiMAX Forum Operator Summit. The event will take place in Islamabad, Pakistan on April 2 – 3, and is being hosted with the gracious assistance of Wateen Telecom. This event has been officially endorsed by the Pakistan Telecommunications Authority, which has agreed to participate in the event at the highest level. All WiMAX Forum member companies are encouraged to attend this business and networking event that will draw attendees from across South Asia. South Asia is a hotbed of activity for the WiMAX ecosystem. In Pakistan there are four major WiMAX operators, and, according to Telecom Lead (<http://telecomlead.com/>), WiMAX accounts for 29% of the country's broadband connections. To register for this event please visit our website:

<http://wimaxforum.org/events/operator-summit-series/wimax-south-asia-2012>

Also, with the support of Both Wateen Telecom and the Pakistani government, the WiMAX Forum will be able to help accelerate the visa process for our international attendees. Please visit our event website for further details.

For those of you who missed it – WiMAX Forum Chairman Dr. Mohammad Shakouri gave an interview to Telesemana at this year's Mobile World Congress. In this interview, Dr. Shakouri discussed at length his views on the future of WiMAX, and the role of the WiMAX Forum. I urge you all to spend a few moments watching his interview. You will continue to hear more about our strategies for the traditional telecommunications as well as vertical markets throughout the year. Please note that while the introduction to the interview is in Spanish, the interview itself is in English, and starts at 0:49 seconds into the video:

<http://www.telesemana.com/blog/2012/03/02/wimax-se-reinventa-en-los-mercados-verticales/>

We at the WiMAX Forum wish you a great rest of the month. We look forward to seeing many of you in Hawaii.

Best Regards,

The WiMAX Forum

WORKING GROUP UPDATE

Working Group Officer Elections in March 2012

The WiMAX Forum Working Group Officer Elections are underway. Election ballots open will be open March 12th through March 19th 2012. Please take the time to vote on this important matter. The results will be announced during the WiMAX Forum member conference in Hawaii.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES UPDATE

There are currently 156 members of the WiMAX Forum in good standing. The WiMAX Forum would like to extend a special welcome to the newest members of our organization:

- **Applied Communication Sciences**
- **Hydro One Networks**
- **Yota Del Peru**
- **Orbitage**

We are committed to delivering the value necessary for our members to get the most of their association with the WiMAX Forum and we are always happy to engage with individual members to discuss how WiMAX Forum can better serve its membership. If you have questions regarding your membership, please contact Mike Wolleben at mike.wolleben@wimaxforum.org - 512-722-6138.

The WiMAX Forum is the best place for our members to access, leverage and influence the growth and development of the WiMAX industry. So be a leader in WiMAX and step up to get involved today!

EVENTS UPDATE

In March, the WiMAX Forum continues to stay busy, and here is the summary of the upcoming events:

- WiMAX Forum Member Conference in Hawaii, March 19-22. For more information and registration please click here: <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=34594&>
- WiMAX South Asia in Islamabad, April 2-3. Please visit event website for registration: <https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=36946&>
- WiMAX Smart Grid Summit in Orlando, FL co-located with UTC Telecom, May 23
- WiMAX Forum Member Conference and Operator Summit in Montreal, Canada June 18-21
- WiMAX Forum Operator Summit in Taipei, Taiwan, co-located with Computex, June 5-6

If you have any questions regarding the events, please contact WiMAX Forum Event Manager Julia Rueb: Julia.Rueb@wimaxforum.org.

WiMAX FORUM NEWS

WiMAX Forum, in partnership with Multiview, has launched its weekly WiMAX Newsbrief. This weekly summary of news from around the WiMAX ecosystem is intended as a benefit to our members. If you do not yet receive the Newsbrief and wish to do so, please sign up here:

<http://www.wimaxforum.org/wimax-forum-weekly-newsbriefs>

Below is a summary of the month of March:

- **WiMAX se reinventa en los mercados verticales**
- **3G and WiMAX updates in Middle East telecom markets in 2011**
- **Clearwire gains advanced WiMAX dongle and new investor**
- **Why smart grid technology-testing standards are critical**
- **Mobilicity calls for US-style 'spectrum screen' for coming auction**
- **Report: China may hold back on 4G for another few years**
- **BSNL launches WiMAX services in Karnataka, India**
- **Why does my iPhone 4S now say 4G, not 3G? Because it is**
- **Malaysia's 1st 4G Internet-enabled cars**
- **OMA Device Management achieves 1.4 billion deployments**
- **P1 WiMAX in East Malaysia by June**
- **Main Street Broadband celebrates 2 years in partnership with Decatur County, Ga.**
- **UQ's WiMAX coverage exceeds 100 million people**
- **GE Energy launches Grid IQ™ Network Communications Platform**
- **Wi-tribe launches Student, Family, Business plans**
- **Prepared for competitive performance at the Olympic Games**
- **Eyes on S-band**
- **Unbreakable SCADA security essential for pipelines**
- **Taiwan market: Global Mobile unveils dual-mode smartphone**
- **Apprion announces IONizer Connect wireless data communications**
- **Aradial Technologies and Runcom announce an integrated solution for WiMAX**
- **Australia Information Technology report Q4 — New market research report published**
- **WiMAX-based high-speed Internet project: Nepal Telecom in final preparation stages**
- **Zain Bahrain supports Bahrain International e-Government Forum 2012 as platinum sponsor**
- **YTL Corp. units report positive growth in Q2**
- **Axtel reports Q4 and full-year 2011 results**
- **Green Packet to invest RM300 million in 2012**
- **Optus buys Vividwireless to secure 4G capacity**
- **Riding the telecom wave**
- **TTK acquires Elektro-com to boost its share in Russian broadband market**