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DVB BRINGS TEN YEARS OF SUCCESS TO NAB

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Las Vegas – 7th April 2003 – At this year's NAB, DVB is proud to showcase the latest technologies and services based on DVB standards. DVB specifications and other documentation are readily available and DVB experts are on hand to answer questions concerning MHP (Multimedia Home Platform), GEM (Globally Executable MHP) and other DVB specifications. The DVB Pavilion is also hosting a number of demonstrations provided by the following members of the DVB Project and a list of DVB members also exhibiting at NAB follows at the end of this release:

Advanced Digital Broadcast Ltd. is showcasing MHP interoperability utilising the commercially available i-CAN set top box. The i-CAN units demonstrate product performance as they execute various MHP applications utilising a live video feed. The live video feed is being supplied by IMK and the demonstrations include an interactive quiz, news and information services as well as several other applications.

Alticast Corp. is showing 15 MHP applications from Korean satellite broadcaster SkyLife using the Samsung MHP 1.0.2 set-top box (model: DSR-100DN), which bears the MHP logo. These are not just demonstration applications as thousands of viewers will use these applications in their own living rooms later this year. In addition to the SkyLife services, Alticast is showcasing a T-government MHP application, which also runs on the Samsung MHP 1.0.2 set-top box.

Fraunhofer Institut für Medienkommunikation has been developing MHP services and research prototypes since the very beginning of MHP. A prototype application is being shown that allows broadcasters to create visual links at arbitrary positions on the screen synchronised to the A/V feed that leads the viewer to further information. Also, being presented is ZDFdigitext, a high end page based information service developed for German public broadcaster ZDF which is already available as a regular free-to-air MHP broadcast via Astra. All applications are being demonstrated using DVB-T.

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Sony Business Europe is showing the Sony Open DataCast Platform for the production and delivery of MHP based interactive television services. The exhibit is comprised of: MHP Authoring System (MediaGateway), Service Management System (MediaManager), Object Carousel Server (MediaCaster), a local DVB-T network, and MHP capable iDTV (with DVB-T tuner).

Strategy & Technology Ltd. (S & T) is displaying tools for the development and delivery of MHP applications, the well established TSDeveloper and new TSBroadcaster system, along with the MHP Security File Generator. Applications and set-top boxes from S&T partner companies will also be on show.

The Digital Video Broadcasting Project (DVB)

DVB is an industry-led consortium of over 270 broadcasters, manufacturers, network operators, software developers, regulatory bodies and others in over 35 countries worldwide, committed to designing global standards for the delivery of digital television and data services. The DVB Standards cover all aspects of digital television from transmission through interfacing, conditional access and interactivity for digital video, audio and data. The consortium came together in 1993 to create unity in the march towards global standardisation, interoperability and future proofing.

To date, there are thousands of broadcast DVB services using DVB equipment manufactured by hundreds of manufacturers. DVB dominates the digital broadcasting world. A host of other services is also on-air with DVB-T, DVB-S and DVB-C including data on the move and high-bandwidth Internet over the air. Further information about DVB can be found at: www.dvb.org.

DVB Multimedia Home Platform (MHP)

MHP defines a generic interface between interactive digital applications and the terminals on which those applications are executed. The standard enables digital content providers to address all types of terminals ranging from low to high-end set-top boxes, IDTVs and multimedia PCs. With MHP, DVB extends its successful open standards for broadcast and interactive services in all transmission networks including satellite, cable terrestrial and wireless systems. Further information on MHP can be found at: www.mhp.org.

Globally Executable MHP (GEM)

The DVB-MHP GEM specification, standardised by ETSI (TS 102 819), is set to become the first ever common world-wide standard for interactive television. The GEM specification defines the APIs, protocols and content formats that can be relied upon in all interactive television standards and specifications that support globally interoperable MHP applications.

GEM provides a means of ensuring that MHP applications can be carried over networks other than DVB. Where DVB has not been adopted, and therefore where the full MHP standard cannot be implemented, application interoperability can be assured by combining MHP based GEM with the appropriate specifications from another body to produce a GEM receiver.

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DVB MEMBERS EXHIBITING AT NAB

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