



Letter of Understanding regarding cooperation between the ECC and the Femto Forum

March 2011

The Parties,

The Electronic Communications Committee ("ECC") of the Conférence Européenne des Administrations des Postes et des Télécommunications ("CEPT").

and

The Femto Forum

having noted the need to establish a close working relationship in order to foster cooperation;

Recognising that:

ECC is an organisation of governmental bodies, hence with limited possibilities to enter binding agreements with a private association;

and that

the Femto Forum is a not-for-profit membership organisation founded in 2007 to enable and promote femtocells and femto technology worldwide.

And considering that:

- ECC considers and develops policies on electronic communications activities in a
 European context and is the recognised organisation in Europe responsible for
 the efficient use of the radio spectrum, satellite orbits and numbering resources,
 so as to satisfy the requirements of the users, and
- the Femto Forum develops common views to advance the development and adoption of small cells via femtocells and broader applications of femto technology for the provision of high-quality 2G/3G/4G coverage and services within the residential, enterprise and public access markets.
- ECC and the Femto Forum have the common objective to promote efficient broadband wireless access technologies, directly or indirectly, with the aim of contributing to the establishment of a high quality information infrastructure across Europe and worldwide;

Agree to cooperate as follows:

ECC and the Femto Forum agree to exchange information and seek, to the extent
possible, a common European approach concerning the use of radio frequencies in
particular in the field of broadband wireless access. The two parties may exchange
as appropriate, free of charge, any information on programmes of work in areas of
mutual interest;

- 2. Copies of relevant working documents from either Party shall be made available to the other Party on request The dissemination by one Party of the documents received from the other party will be limited to the officers, employees, contractors, consultants and its group with a need to know and who have entered into confidentiality agreements sufficient to prohibit further unauthorized use or disclosure by such persons of the confidential information, and solely for the purpose of the activities relating to the receiving Party's work programme. If the disclosing Party regards the information in the documents as confidential, the receiving Party will likewise treat such information as confidential, unless the disclosing Party authorises non-confidential treatment in writing. Femto Forum documents which are classified as 'restricted' will only be released after an explicit approval by the Femto Forum chairman;
- 3. All copyright, and other intellectual and industrial rights embodied in documents exchanged between the ECC and the Femto Forum and any copies thereof, remain with the originating Party and extend to all media in which the information may be embodied. Any reference to these documents shall be submitted to the agreement of the originating Party prior to communicating the said material to other bodies. If the representatives of a Party participate in the working group activities of the other Party, the other Party's policy governing intellectual property rights shall apply to that participation.
- 4. The ECC Chairman and the Chairman of the Femto Forum should meet periodically at their convenience. Chairmen of ECC subordinate bodies and other concerned groups of the Femto Forum may participate in these meetings as appropriate and will be invited accordingly.
- Within the work area of the Femto Forum, participation of one nominated Observer, or a substitute, from the Femto Forum is normally permitted at meetings of the ECC, its Working Groups, Project Teams and Task Groups, when the agenda contains items of mutual interest;
- In order to maintain sufficient identity of objectives, an Observer from ECC shall be regularly invited to relevant plenary meetings of the Femto Forum. An ECC Observer may also be invited to attend, as appropriate, the relevant parts of meetings of other Femto Forum bodies.
- 7. Observers shall, to the extent permitted by the relevant Party's organisational statutes and rules, be entitled to participate fully in discussions on relevant work items, and may submit written contributions, but shall not be part of the decision making process.
- The Femto Forum may submit proposals to the relevant ECC body. These shall be adopted subject to the normal ECC process for approval of new work items and outputs.
- 9. This Agreement shall last for three years and may be renewed by mutual consent. On its expiry, the Agreement shall be automatically renewed for further one-year

- periods unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. Either Party on giving three months written notice prior to the expiry date can terminate the Agreement.
- 10. This letter of understanding is only intended to facilitate cooperation between the mobile industry and the ECC/CEPT. As such, the Parties agree that the provisions of this document shall not be legally binding on either party or be deemed to create any legal rights or obligations.
- 11. The practical contacts and decisions for the application of the Agreement will be taken between the ECC Chairman and the Chairman of the Femto Forum.

Agreed for the ECC by

THOMAS EWERS

ECC Chairman

Date: /8.3.//

Agreed for the Femto Forum by

SIMON SAUNDERS

Chairman, Femto Forum

Date:

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