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TeliaSonera launches 3G in Kazakhstan

TeliaSonera subsidiary Kcell launches 3G in Kazakstan. Kcell will start operating 3G in the cities of Astana and Almaty from December 1, 2010.

"The launch of 3G services in Kazakhstan opens up completely new opportunities and represents a major step for the telecom development in the country," says Tero Kivisaari, President of Business Area Eurasia. "It will significantly improve the quality and speed of data transfer services. Customers will now have access to high-speed mobile broadband and will be able send email, play online games and transfer files. In addition, customers also will be offered a new service - video call," continues Tero Kivisaari.

The demand for increased capacity and bandwidth is something that is growing throughout the world. The launch of 3G means that countries in a development phase now get the same communication capabilities as other countries.

Kcell also obtained the official status of the mobile operator of the two biggest forthcoming events of the political and international importance to be held in Kazakhstan – OSCE Summit and 7th Asian Winter Games. Being the official partner the company will provide foreign guests and local participants and visitors of these large-scale events with high quality third generation communication services.

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