

Ericsson signs Next Generation Network contract with Dutch KPN International Network Services

Ericsson has signed a strategic contract with Dutch operator KPN International Network Services for delivery of a Next Generation Network solution (NGN) based on Ericsson's ATM switch AXD 301 and Telephony Server. The solution efficiently integrates voice and datacom services in KPN's pan-European network for France, Germany, Italy and Switzerland.

The agreement includes immediate delivery of four AXE lable ATM switch AXD 301, and Telephony Server. This solution poTransLocal 4 switches, Ericsson's Cross Border Interconnect technology, its scasitions KPN International to rapidly and efficiently migrate their infrastructure to ATM/IP (Internet Protocol) backbone technology. The TransLocal 4 switches will be delivered and installed according to Ericsson's TTC24 concept - which means time to customer, from order to acceptance, in just 24 working days.

The Ericsson Next Generation Network solution gives customers a future proof migration path to evolve their circuit switched networks to multi-service ATM-based packet networks. For KPN, the solution provides state-of-the-art carrier-class services, such as efficient international leased line data transport, voice over ATM, and multimedia services - all from one single network. Operators are able to bring new services to market faster and obtain greater flexibility by operating a single, multi-service network, instead of separate networks for voice and for data communications. Other customers who have embraced the Ericsson solution as a way forward include British Telecom and Telia Denmark.

The Next Generation Network contract with KPN is a confirmation of Ericsson's leading position as a supplier of multi-service networks and its strategy for developing solutions to meet the demands of converged networks.

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About Ericsson's Next Generation Network

The Ericsson vision for future networks sees a new type of robust, multi-service network infrastructure based on new packet-switching technologies and designed for real-time services. It is capable of carrying large and growing volumes of bit traffic and coping with the network interconnection requirements of deregulated and competitive telecom environments. The technologies used in this architecture, and the architecture itself, are optimized to achieve lowest possible operational costs, and greatest possible revenue opportunities for operators.

To learn more about Ericsson's NGN, please visit <http://www.ericsson.se/ngn>

Company Information

KPN International Services provides services to internationally operating (European) customers and obtains profitable growth abroad. KPN International Network Services is an international network operator and service provider for telecommunication services. Their portfolio is custom made for the wholesale market.