

## Ericsson wins USD 300 million order in Yugoslavia

Ericsson and the leading Yugoslavian operator Mobtel will sign a contract for a major expansion and upgrade of Mobtel's GSM network in Yugoslavia. This GSM 900/1800 contract is of the value USD 300 million.

Ericsson will supply equipment enabling Mobtel's network to more than double the capacity of subscribers. The contract includes expansion of radio and switching infrastructure, GPRS, billing gateways, and the introduction of WAP services using Ericsson's WISE time to WAP solution etc. Deliveries will start immediately and will be completed within 18 months.

"With this contract Mobtel can offer new services to the customer and prepare for the major subscriber growth we expect in Yugoslavia and also start the implementation of mobile Internet services on the market," said General Director, Sreten Karic, Mobtel. "We are happy to work with Ericsson as we have been doing since 1995."

"Yugoslavia is a very fast growing market and we have a long relationship with the operator Mobtel, with this contract Ericsson continues to be recognized as the long-term partner in the modernization process and as the leading supplier of mobile Internet systems and services," says Jan Hultgren, President Ericsson Yugoslavia.

Ericsson is the leading communications supplier, combining innovation in mobility and Internet in creating the new era of mobile Internet. Ericsson provides total solutions covering everything from systems and applications to mobile phones and other communications tools. With more than 100,000 employees in 140 countries, Ericsson simplifies communications for customers all over the world.

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## **About Mobtel:**

MOBTEL - (Mobile Telecommunications - Serbia BK - PTT) the first and the largest mobile telephone system operator in Yugoslavia, was founded on April 15th 1994. Mobtel is the leading mobile operator in Yugoslavia.