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iBAHN launches wireless voice service for European hotels

28 March, 2007 - iBAHN, the leading provider of broadband services to business travellers worldwide, has today unveiled a Voice over Wireless LAN (VoWLAN) service for the European hotel industry that will support a range of back-office voice applications across its existing data network.

iBAHN's VoWLAN service responds to the rapidly growing customer demand for wireless voice applications, owing to the availability of higher-speed wireless services such as 801.11g, the emergence of Quality of Service for wireless networks, and the trend towards more affordable Wi-Fi voice handsets.

iBAHN has been installing wireless LAN (WLAN) networks in the public areas and guestrooms of hotels for a number of years. Its new VoWLAN service will be particularly attractive to both new and existing hotelier customers, as it will enable both voice and data applications to run simultaneously across a single wireless network. iBAHN customers who opt for the VoWLAN service as an alternative to the standard DECT network will only have one wireless network to maintain, instead of the traditional two separate networks.

Hoteliers will be free to use their existing voice partner to implement the VoWLAN application that is best suited to their property. iBAHN will work with the voice partner to design and implement the required wireless architecture to support the VoWLAN application. In addition, hotel customer will have the option of interconnecting their sites across iBAHN's backbone network to allow for inter-site voice communication, without incurring normal voice charges.

Graeme Powell, MD EMEA of iBAHN, comments: "Over recent months, our customers have been telling us that they would like their WLAN networks to support voice applications. The optimum solution was to use our existing wireless network for both data and voice services. We have high hopes for take-up, as the service not only reduces installation costs for hoteliers, but also enables them to offer a wider portfolio of connectivity services to their guests."

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About iBAHN

iBAHN provides secure, reliable high speed internet services for travellers and groups at hotels and conference centres worldwide. Monthly, more than 1.5 million business travelers around the world use iBAHN's secure internet services. iBAHN provides service to over 2,100 hotels and meeting and conference venues in 18 countries around the globe. More information on iBAHN's high speed technology services can be found at www.ibahneurope.com

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