Press Release

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Qowisio has chosen TDF to host its "Internet of Things" network

Today, TDF and Qowisio announced the signature of a contract for the hosting of their French low-bandwidth, long-range communication network for the Internet of Things (IoT).

A start-up from Angers, Qowisio is a company that is active along every part of the value chain for connected devices (range of innovative devices, connectivity, applications, cloud, etc.). Last June the company raised €10 million in setting up its first public network on mainland France. There is still a significant challenge ahead though, because it is estimated that France will have 2 billion connected devices by 2020.

TDF operates 10,000 sites around the country to host telecoms and audiovisual equipment. Through selecting TDF infrastructure, Qowisio will benefit from a nationally renowned industrial partner and can be certain that its equipment will be set up and installed quickly.

This project poses a major challenge for the TDF teams, as well as for Qowisio, as they aim to connect as many devices in France as possible by 2016.

Christine Landrevot, Director of TDF Telecoms and Services Department: *"The signature of this contract with Qowisio confirms TDF's interest in the IoT, a booming sector. The turnkey solutions developed by Qowisio are promising and meet real requirements, as expressed by both local authorities and businesses. Deploying the Qowisio network is a big challenge that will require all of TDF's expertise".*

"TDF meets all requirements to provide optimum levels of service cover and quality to its clients. We particularly appreciate the professionalism and close working relation that we have with their teams on a daily basis. These essential qualities allow us to focus on developing our new IoT services, safe in the knowledge that the roll-out of our network is certain to be a success", underlines Cyrille Le Floch, Director General of Qowisio.

About TDF

TDF designs, deploys, hosts, operates and maintains netoworks, infrastructure and services for data transfer for telecoms companies, telecoms service providers, local authorities and institutional authorities.

TDF's commitment: to be a close, neutral and independent partner in establishing well-suited telecoms solutions.

TDF operates on 10,000 sites in France, transmitting audiovisual information and hosting radio telecoms equipment. A creator of innovative solutions, TDF continually searches for new digital, mobile and multimedia services: Connected DTTV, on-demand video, catch-up TV, on-line media, elevated connections (pylons or flat roofs), ultr-high-speed cpnnections, datacenters, etc.

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About Qowisio

Qowisio is a start-up, established in 2009, that specializes in low-cost low energy consumption wireless networks to connect devices, and it already operates in 29 different countries internationally (Africa, Middle-East, Eastern Europe sectors). In June 2015, Qowisio raised €10 million to launch its first low-bandwidth long-range network in France. Qowisio holds shares in and is a founding member of the Cité de l'Objet Connecté and a member of French Tech (#IoT Tech) in Angers.

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