ALEPO PARTNERS WITH DIMENSION DATA TO LAUNCH 4G SERVICES IN ZIMBABWE

Zimbabwe service provider, Utande, calls on industry experts Alepo and Dimension Data to deploy 4G data services over WiMAX, Wi-Fi and high-speed Metro Ethernet.

Austin, TX -- Alepo, a leading provider of control plane & business management solutions for next generation services, announced today a partnership with one of the industry's foremost system integrators, Dimension Data, to rollout 4G data services across Zimbabwe for internet service provider Utande.

Together, Alepo and Dimension Data will build upon Utande's existing network to create a convergent network environment, enabling the delivery of 4G services over WiMAX, Wi-Fi and high-speed Metro Ethernet. The project marks the first collaboration between the two veteran telecommunications vendors.

"We are very pleased to partner with Alepo to launch 4G services at Utande," said Calvin Menyennett, Chief Technology Officer at Dimension Data. "Alepo's proven core network solutions and industry experience are true assets to this project."

Alepo will implement its convergent online charging & billing platform, Service Enabler, as well as its 16e AAA Server for real-time policy & subscriber management. Alepo's Subscriber Portal will enable customers to register for services and manage their accounts online, independently.

Alepo will also provide a carrier-grade Wi-Fi Hotspot Management solution, which will allow Utande to easily expand a Wi-Fi hotspot network through partners and resellers. Alepo's open and endlessly scalable solutions will enable Utande to readily support the growing needs of Zimbabwe's residential and business consumers.

"The collaborative effort by Alepo and Dimension Data to deploy 4G services will afford Utande the competitive edge to be positioned as Zimbabwe's premier internet service provider," stated Jonathan Garini, Alepo Vice President of Products.

About Utande

Utande, a division of Dandemutande Investments (Pvt) Ltd, has been delivering top quality Internet and connectivity services to the Zimbabwean market place since 1997. Utande offers a broad range of individual, small business and corporate Internet solutions with high-speed bandwidth delivered via fiber and wireless last-mile solutions. Utande is renowned within the telecommunications industry for its innovation and commitment to advancing technology in Africa.

About Dimension Data

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Founded in 1983, Dimension Data plc is an ICT services and solutions provider that uses its technology expertise, global service delivery capability, and entrepreneurial spirit to accelerate the business ambitions of its clients. Dimension Data is a member of the NTT Group. www.dimensiondata.com.

About Alepo

Alepo drives the innovation and profitability of next generation services, offering real-time policy control, convergent charging and billing, and integrated business management tools.

For over 15 years, Alepo has worked directly with leading service providers and converged mobile operators, such as France Telecom, Digicel and Safaricom, to bring the latest technologies and services to market quickly and cost-effectively. Alepo's innovation and expertise spans the areas of fixed mobile convergence, packet core evolution, device management, 3G data offload, Wi-Fi hotspots and more.

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