



Post and Telecom of Kosovo (PTK), the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MEST) and Monaco Telecom International (MTI) sign Heads of Agreement for better access to information technology and internet in schools

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Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed on April 7th 2010 between Post and Telecom of Kosovo (PTK), the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MEST), and Monaco Telecom International (MTI) marks the beginning of a new partnership for the computerization of several schools in the Republic of Kosovo.

As part of purpose to support learning and provide access to information technology and internet, PTK JSC in cooperation with its partner Monaco Telecom International and with the support of the Ministry of Education, shall implement a joint project in the field of knowledge and education in the Republic of Kosovo. In under of this programme, PTK JSC shall provide free access and internet service to the schools selected. Monaco Telecom International will provide 100 PCs purchased from a local supplier for a total of 30, 000 euro.

The computerization of several schools is a joint project between PTK JSC, Monaco Telecom International and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

Dr. Shyqyri Haxha, Chief Executive Officer PTK commented *"I'm really pleased to attend the signing today. This initiative is part of the implementation of management policy on institutional development and international cooperation. It is a strong sign of PTK, the government and MTI to unite to build an efficient education system"*.

"Fairness, equality of opportunity for all children and the democratization of knowledge are fundamental values of our education policy. This agreement will allow the Republic of Kosovo to give our young people access to information and new technology, especially as they constitute half of our population", commented Mr. Enver Hoxhaj, Minister for Education, Science and Technology

"It has now been 10 years since Monaco Telecom International works with PTK to rebuild telecommunications in Kosovo and bring her services and offers quality. We are pleased to partner in this project related to the social world of telecoms and childhood", commented Reda El-Mejjad Director of Monaco Telecom International.

The MoU was signed by Dr. Shyqyri Haxha, Chief Executive Officer PTK, Mr. Enver Hoxhaj, Minister for Education, Science and Technology, and Reda El-Mejjad Director of Monaco Telecom International. This signature was completed by a visit in a school.

Notes to Editor

About Post Telecom Kosovo J.S.C.

The Post and Telecommunications of Kosovo, PTK, was established in 1959 by Yugoslavian PTT community to provide basic phone services. Post and Telecom of Kosovo (PTK) was established in 1999 by the UNMIK administration. By the end of the year 1999, UNMIK and PTK signed a contract "key in hand" with Monaco Telecom, for providing GSM mobile phone services, with a network that covers the largest part of the Kosovo territory. PTK has established following three business units: Post of Kosovo, Telecom of Kosovo, and Vala mobile network operator. These three business units of the PTK are licensed by the Kosovo Telecommunications Regulatory Authority. On 29 June 2005, PTK was transformed into a joint-stock-company under the new name of PTK J.S.C.

PTK, which owns the mobile operator Vala 900, has experienced incredible growth during recent years and Vala is now been providing GPRS, MMS and SMS services to all its customers.

For more information, please visit www.ptkonline.com

About the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MEST)

About Monaco Telecom International

Monaco Telecom International (MTI) is a Monaco Telecom's subsidiary, the Principality's incumbent public telecommunications operator.

MTI provide managed telecommunications services to PTK since ten years.

In December 2009, MTI and PTK extend mobile partnership for further three years.

Among other investments MTI holds a 36.75% stake in Roshan, a mobile phone operator in Afghanistan, and a 65% stake in Connecteo, a high-speed broadband service in West Africa (covering Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Guinea, Niger and Senegal). MTI also owns 99.9% of Divona Algerie, a telecommunications operator providing broadband services in Algeria.

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