

ETSI and OASIS extend strategic partnership on standards

ETSI and OASIS co-ordinate standardization for electronic signatures, energy market information for Smart Grid, emergency management, and other areas

Cannes, France; 20 April 2011--OASIS (Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards) and ETSI (European Telecommunications Standards Institute) have been strategic partners since 2007 when the two organizations first signed a Memorandum of Understanding. Today they have decided to extend this agreement for a further three years and expand its scope to additional technical areas. OASIS is a global organization that drives standardization in Cloud computing, security, identity, e-business, and in e-Government and the public sector. ETSI's range of standardization activities covers all aspects of communications systems including fixed, mobile, radio, broadcast and convergent technologies.

ETSI and OASIS have been liaising on standards for electronic signatures and better-authenticated email, two common topics where the exchange of information between the organizations has been fruitful. Collaboration will now extend to OASIS activity on Emergency Interoperability (which includes the Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) OASIS Standard and ETSI's standardization work on Emergency Communications), and globally useful data standards for the Smart Grid and sustainability, among other topics.

Dirk Weiler, Chairman of the ETSI General Assembly, said: "ETSI has developed a network of partnerships with industry associations and standards consortia. Today's agreement demonstrates our recognition of the importance of the work of OASIS and the role they play in the industry, and our appreciation of our relations with OASIS over the past three years."

Laurent Liscia, OASIS Executive Director, said: "We value ETSI's partnership, admire their strong competency in testing, and deeply appreciate their forward-looking, collaborative orientation towards market-aware standards and cross-industry cooperation. OASIS looks forward to a very productive next three years, working together to help supply solutions for some of the global information society's most acute challenges."

About ETSI

ETSI produces globally-applicable standards for Information and Communications Technologies (ICT), including fixed, mobile, radio, converged, aeronautical, broadcast and internet technologies and is officially recognized by the European Union as a European Standards Organization. ETSI is an independent, not-for-profit association whose more than 700 member companies and organizations, drawn from 62 countries across 5 continents worldwide, determine its work programme and participate directly in its work.

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About OASIS

OASIS is a not-for-profit, international consortium that drives the development, convergence and adoption of open standards for the global information society. OASIS promotes industry consensus and produces worldwide standards for SOA, security, cloud computing, Web services, the Smart Grid, content technologies, business transactions, emergency management, and other applications. OASIS open standards offer the potential to lower cost, stimulate innovation, grow global markets, and protect the right of free choice of technology. OASIS members broadly represent the marketplace of public and private sector technology leaders, users, and influencers. The consortium has more than 5,000 participants representing over 600 organizations and individual members in 100 countries.

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