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# The DMR Association and ETSI sign a Letter of Intent to cooperate in the area of Digital Mobile Radio

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The DMR Association, a global industry association dedicated to promote the success of open and interoperable Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) technology and ETSI, the European Telecommunications Standards Institute, have signed a letter of intent to cooperate in the area of Digital Mobile Radio and to work together for their mutual benefit.

The letter of intent - signed by Dr. Walter Weigel, ETSI's Director General, and by Mario Micheli (of SELEX Communications - Italy), Chairman of the DMR Association - marks the beginning of various co-operative activities in the field of DMR systems, including the exchange of knowledge and expertise, with a specific focus on DMR standardization activities.

"As DMR's standardization body we value the opportunity to develop a mutually beneficial relationship with the DMR Association. A healthy exchange of vital market feedback and product development experiences will allow us to better address the requirements for future evolutions of the DMR standard" commented Walter Weigel.

"This step is the best route to achieve the common objective of ensuring that DMR technology will represent a success story for both organizations," said Mr. Micheli. "The signing of the letter of intent represents a significant milestone in the DMR Association's long-term strategy of promoting the success of DMR technology by removing barriers to interoperability and supporting continuous product innovation", concluded Mr. Micheli.

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#### **Editor's Notes**

DMR (Digital Mobile Radio) is a globally-available open digital radio standard for Professional Mobile Radio users, developed by ETSI, the European Telecommunications Standards Institute.

#### **About ETSI**

ETSI produces globally-applicable standards for Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), including fixed, mobile, radio, transport, 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 740 member companies and organizations, drawn from 62 countries across 5 continents worldwide, determine its work programme and participate directly in its work. For more information please visit: <a href="https://www.etsi.org">www.etsi.org</a>

### **About the DMR Association**

The DMR Association is focused on building on the success of the DMR standard through a combination of interoperability testing, certification, education and awareness. The Association also seeks to ensure that buyers of DMR technology gain value through the competition and choice derived from products built to an open multi-vendor standard.

The DMR Association includes members representing a broad cross-section of the industry, including some of the world's leading device and network suppliers. Members of the DMR Association include Aeroflex, CML Microcircuits, Democom, Funkwerk Koelleda, Fylde Micro, Icom, Hytera, Kenwood, Motorola, Radio Activity, SELEX Communications - a Finmeccanica Company, Sepura, Tait Radio Communications, Team Simoco, and Vertex Standard. www.dmrassociation.org

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