



Press Release

SmarDTV's System-In-Package (SIP) technology selected by Altech UEC for OpenView HD Set-Top Box (STB) in South Africa

Cheseaux-sur-Lausanne, Switzerland – May 9th, 2017 – SmarDTV, a Kudelski Group (SIX:KUD.S) company, today announced that its third generation System-In-Package (SIP) technology was selected by Altech UEC, a market leader in innovative set-top box technologies with manufacturing facilities in Durban, South Africa, to provide the local retail market with a brand new HD set-top box for OpenView HD, South Africa's first free-to-air digital satellite TV platform.

SmarDTV's System-in-Package (SIP) technology has evolved through market deployments in Asia and Latin America as well as through a significant amount of innovation in the product. The new SIP version selected by Altech UEC for the South African market is based on latest generation chipsets that bring the highest level of security to the STB/CPE market. The SIP technology also facilitates local manufacturing since all key elements such as security assets and user interface requirements are all pre-integrated within the SIP silicon.

"With the SIP technology, SmarDTV significantly reduces complexity which not only enables local manufacturing but also greatly improves time-to-market, which is the main challenge of most projects", comments Pascal Lenoir, CEO of SmarDTV. "We are truly pleased to see that our investment has reached this level of maturity and is supporting industrial development in South Africa with new value-added services and important job creation in this growing market."

SmarDTV has deployed more than five million of its SIP technology products in Latin America, Asia and Africa. "Through the Kudelski Group, we can leverage a vast portfolio of technologies from NAGRA, OpenTV and Conax, as well as have access to excellent support from our silicon partners. We will continue investing on this track to constantly shorten development cycles and enabling new business models that benefit the local market" concludes Pascal Lenoir.

About SmarDTV

SmarDTV, a [Kudelski Group](#) company, is an international leader in pay-TV technology. SmarDTV designs and manufactures a large range of set-top box solutions and CI / CI-Plus plug-in modules which enable access to premium digital pay-TV whether delivered through broadcast or broadband IP. A founding member of [CI Plus Forum](#), SmarDTV is headquartered in Switzerland with development and sales offices in France, UK, Germany and Singapore. Please visit www.smartv.com for more information.

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About Altech UEC

Altech UEC is a market leader in innovative set-top box technologies, with a number of world-first cutting edge technology deployments in various global markets. Altech UEC owns its own manufacturing facility in Durban, South Africa, and as such is strategically well positioned to service the African Pay-TV market hardware and software requirements. Visit www.altech-multimedia.com for more information.

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