
ERICSSON NIKOLA TESLA AND IPKO SIGNED A NEW CONTRACT

The President of Ericsson Nikola Tesla, Gordana Kovačević, MSc, and the Executive Director of Kosovo operator IPKO, Robert Erzin, MSc, signed a framework contract that defines the strategic relations for the following period. The contract relates to the modernization of IPKO radio access and microwave network. IPKO's existing 2G network will be upgraded with new Ericsson RBS 6000 base stations and new nodes in radio access network core segment. This continues the partnership that was started in 2007 with the contract on the basis of which Ericsson Nikola Tesla delivered and integrated the entire GSM network to the Kosovo operator, in short time period. The contract on managed services followed, as well as several contracts regarding hardware and software upgrade.

The President of Ericsson Nikola Tesla commented on the contract: "I am very pleased that IPKO recognized Ericsson's technology leadership and the quality of our services, and that we are continuing an excellent collaboration. This contract is strategically important, considering that it is the foundation for expanding IPKO's 3G network, as well as introducing 4G network, and microwave network will be upgraded, and, if necessary, expanded. Ericsson Nikola Tesla will, in the radio access and microwave network segment, in the following years, be the single vendor. Our partnership is seen in close collaboration of our and IPKO's experts on the basis of which IPKO will continue to deliver the most advanced mobile communications services to Kosovo users."

"IPKO's strategic aim is to remain the best provider of mobile services in Kosovo, which is always the first to bring the highest quality of products, services and technologies to its users. And our extended partnership with renowned brand such as Ericsson Nikola Tesla ensures that we will continue being always a step ahead on the market, and offer only the best for our users", said Robert Erzin, Executive Director of IPKO.

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The Company IPKO Telecommunications LLC is recognized as one of the fastest growing telecommunications companies in Europe. Established in 1999, IPKO has grown from being the first Kosovo-wide Internet provider to becoming a modern enterprise offering full range of integrated services as well as content, in mobile communications, fixed telephony, digital cable television, Internet services as well as media.

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Ericsson services, software and infrastructure - especially in mobility, broadband and the cloud - are enabling the telecom industry and other sectors to do better business, increase efficiency, improve the user experience and capture new opportunities. With more than 115,000 professionals and customers in 180 countries, Ericsson combines global scale with technology and services leadership. Ericsson supports networks that connect more than 2.5 billion subscribers. Forty percent of the world's mobile traffic is carried over Ericsson networks. And Ericsson investments in research and development ensure that his solutions and customers stay in front. Founded in 1876, Ericsson has its headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden. Net sales in 2014 were SEK 228 billion (USD 33.1 billion). Ericsson is listed on NASDAQ OMX stock exchange in Stockholm and the NASDAQ in New York.

Ericsson Nikola Tesla, as an integral part of the Ericsson Group, supports the modern ways of communicating. The company's activities include marketing and sales, research and development, design of the total communications solution, services in the multi-service and mobile networks area including the mobile Internet and complex system integration in all business areas. The company provides innovative ICT solutions that constantly improve people's life and create new value. Shares of Ericsson Nikola Tesla are traded in the Regular Market of the Zagreb Stock Exchange under the stock exchange symbol ERNT-R-A.

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