

Ekahau to Enable Advanced Patient Tracking Solution in Belgian Hospital

Herentals Hospital first in Belgium to adopt Real Time Location System technology

Helsinki, Finland — August 23, 2007 — Ekahau Inc., a leading provider of Wi-Fi-based Real Time Location Systems (RTLS), today announced that Herentals Hospital has selected Ekahau's Real Time Location System (RTLS) to track patients through its operating room complex.

In the first phase of operations, leading Belgian networking and security integrator, Quantum ICT, has installed the Ekahau Real Time Location. This includes the Ekahau Positioning Engine server software, along with the Ekahau suite of applications, Ekahau Tracker and Ekahau Finder. Added to this are Ekahau T301 tags which will be attached to patients, to track them through the operating room complex from registration to their return to the ward.

Account Manager for Quantum ICT, Gert De Haes explained that the Ekahau RTLS had been smoothly integrated into the hospital's existing Aruba Wi-Fi network and SAP system to enable full access to patient data and time stamping. He continued that following successful completion of Phase 1 of the Ekahau RTLS integration in October, the plan is to ramp up the system to include a further 800 to 1000 tags in a two-year timeframe to also include tracking valuable medical equipment.

Speaking about Phase 1 of the project, De Haes explained "The ability to integrate RTLS with the hospital's SAP and to enable time stamping is a very important feature of this installation. Time stamping allows the hospital to create statistical data about patient throughput and the time taken for various operations – this increases accountability and transparency for Herentals Hospital which receives its funding in large part from the municipality."

IT manager at Herentals Hospital added: "We are very pleased to adopt the Ekahau RTLS solution and believe that it will add a significant new layer of information and support to complement our patient care. Precision tracking of patients through the operating theatre will enable more efficient throughput and better use of existing resources, which is essential to the running of any modern hospital."

About Herentals Hospital

Established in 1253, The A.Z. St. Elisabeth Clinic is the oldest hospital in Kempen, Belgium. A 243-bed hospital, staffed by 503 employees and 68 specialists, has earned a long-standing reputation for the provision of clinical excellence. The hospital has the following departments: surgery, internal diseases, rehabilitation (sp), geriatrics, a children's department and a maternity ward with an associated department for premature babies, a day care centre, an intensive care unit, an emergency department and a mobile intervention team.

About Quantum ICT

Belgian total integrator, Quantum ICT was formed in the merger of COMMSwitch NV and Telbel in 2007. Formerly, COMMSwitch proved its expertise as a leading networking, system and security integrator for the Belgian market while Telbel specialized in the provision of voice technology to Belgium and Luxembourg. The newly founded total integrator focuses on the entire national market but in the long term the company also broadens its activities towards the European Union.

About Ekahau Inc.

Ekahau Inc. is the industry leader in providing Wi-Fi based RTLS solutions. Ekahau's customers, including several Fortune 500 companies worldwide, are realizing the benefits of Wi-Fi based location services and innovative Wi-Fi network planning and optimization tools. Ekahau partners include wireless software developers, leading system integrators, and international OEM partners, who develop and market wireless enterprise applications. Ekahau is a U.S. based corporation, with offices in Saratoga, CA; Reston, VA; Helsinki, Finland; and Hong Kong, China.

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