



Voiceworks launches 4G service with unique interworking solution from BroadForward

BroadForward's BFX Interface Gateway enables world's first live deployment of LTE interworking with older generation HLR's.

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Voiceworks, the leading provider of telephony and data solutions for the business market in the Netherlands, announced it has extended the use of the BFX Interface Gateway to support integration with KPN's 4G network.

Like for Voiceworks and hundreds of other operators and MVNO's worldwide, it used to be impossible to connect to 4G/LTE networks with existing, older generation HLR's (pre 3GPP release 8). This limitation is now removed with the latest release of BFX, facilitating connectivity with LTE networks for various generations of HLR's.

Working in close cooperation with Voiceworks, BroadForward has developed a unique solution to address this limitation, provided as an on-board function of the BFX product. Now service providers with older generation HLR's can establish LTE connectivity with a cost-effective and independent solution. This offers providers the opportunity to avoid the usual route of upgrading their HLR, often involving high cost, risky projects and vendor lock-in.

The LTE interworking function is part of BFX's wide range of interworking and routing capabilities used by Voiceworks to speed up time-to-market for new services. BFX empowers Voiceworks to setup signaling scenarios across vendor and access technologies such as 3G, 4G, Fixed and Wi-Fi, without the need for R&D or scripting.

Stijn Nijhuis, CEO of Voiceworks: "Agility is an essential element in our strategy to be the driving force of innovation for business customers. The flexibility of BFX empowers us to structurally speed up time-to-market for new services. With the special HLR-LTE interworking function, BFX has enabled us to be the first MVNE in the Netherlands to enable a 4G proposition, while saving significant cost".

Taco Schoute, CEO of BroadForward: "Service providers are keen to maximize mobile reach by enabling services across LTE and existing networks. The on-board 4G interworking function of BFX provides service providers with an essential capability for LTE roaming, also for pre-release 8 HLR's. We are thrilled to work with innovative MVNE's such as Voiceworks, who successfully leverages the unique competitive advantages that BFX offers."

About Voiceworks

Voiceworks makes corporate communication services easier to use and more transparent. Voiceworks is continuously innovating and developing professional integrated fixed, mobile and web-based communication services. With over 10 years of experience Voiceworks is the leading cloud voice provider in the Netherlands and the only provider with an in-house developed web based communications suite, VoIP cloud offering and full MVNO mobile network - all integrated into one solution.

Voiceworks continues to develop its business proposition and is looking for wholesale partners to expand internationally. The company is already able to provide telephone numbers in over 50 countries worldwide. Voiceworks was named the fastest growing technology company in the Netherlands and Belgium in 2011's Deloitte Technology Fast50. For more information: www.voiceworks.com or follow @voiceworksnl on Twitter.

About BroadForward

BroadForward is the leading expert in signaling interworking and routing for 3G, 4G/LTE, IMS, Fixed and Wi-Fi networks. BroadForward's BFX Interface gateway is the Next-Generation signaling solution that provides a unique combination of any-to-any protocol interworking, routing and GUI based services orchestration, working across Diameter, RADIUS, SS7 and IT protocols. BroadForward's solutions are hardware-agnostic, supporting network virtualization and cloud deployment. BroadForward was founded by an internationally recognized team of mobile telecoms experts with a track record in building carriergrade, revenue generating products and services for global mobile operators. BroadForward's software development is entirely done in The Netherlands. For more information: www.broadforward.com

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