



3RD GENERATION
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PROJECT 2
"3GPP2"

3GPP2 CELEBRATES TEN YEARS OF CDMA2000® DEVELOPMENT

3GPP2's members toast the Project's achievements and define vision for continued success in the coming years.

March 4, 2009 – Arlington, VA — The Third Generation Partnership Project 2 (3GPP2) celebrated its tenth anniversary last week in China with a gala event held at the Sheraton Shanghai Pudong Hotel.



Cheryl Blum (Alcatel-Lucent), 3GPP2 Steering Committee Chair, saluted the work of 3GPP2 and its participants over the last decade.

The Project's members and partners were joined by senior representatives from ZTE and China Telecom.

In highlighting 3GPP2's successes, Cheryl Blum (Technical Manager, Alcatel-Lucent), Chair of its Steering Committee, noted, "The new services, features and capabilities that 3GPP2 has enabled over this past decade have had a tremendous impact on chipset manufacturers, handset vendors, test equipment vendors, network vendors, application services developers, and service providers. The CDMA Development Group, a 3GPP2 Marketing Partner, reports that just 30 million cdmaOne™ subscribers existed at the launch of the Project in January 1999. Now there are more than 474 million cdma2000 subscribers and 276 operators worldwide. It is obvious that 3GPP2 has much to be proud of."

In the meetings surrounding the gala evening, 3GPP2 members focused on setting the vision for 3GPP2's future, which includes:

- Maximizing the use of existing deployments of cdma2000 1x and HRPD;
- Using 1X-Enhanced to deliver the highest voice capacity per MHz of spectrum among any known systems, with the goal of more than tripling capacity relative to the currently deployed cdma2000-1X;
- Delivering the most spectrally efficient wide area wireless mobile packet data system with HRPD-Enhanced;
- Positioning 1X- Enhanced and HRPD-Enhanced as critical long-term components of evolving wireless technology platforms worldwide.

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Leng Rongquan, Vice General Manager & Chief Engineer, China Telecom, commended 3GPP2 for its success.



Hu Jian, Vice President, ZTE Corporation, raised a toast to continued development of cdma2000®.

About 3GPP2

The Third Generation Partnership Project 2 is a collaborative Third Generation (3G) telecommunications specification-setting project comprising North American and Asian equipment manufacturers and carriers. The five Organizational Partners of the Third Generation Partnership Project 2, which are nationally recognized Standards Development Organizations are: Association of Radio Industries and Businesses (ARIB) – Japan, China Communications Standards Association (CCSA) – China, Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) – USA, Telecommunications Association (TTA) – Korea, and Telecommunication Technology Committee (TTC) – Japan. For more information about 3GPP2, contact Henry Cuschieri of the 3GPP2 Secretariat at +1-703-907-7497, email secretariat@3gpp2.org or visit the 3GPP2 web site at www.3gpp2.org.

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