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YRP Ubiquitous Networking Laboratory signs an MoU with EloTA to promote the Internet of Things R&D in Europe and Japan

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On December 14, 2011, during the TRONSHOW 2012 in Tokyo, the Ubiquitous Networking Laboratory of Yokosuka Telecom Research Park, Inc. (UNL for short) and a consortium of European Stakeholders¹ known as the European Internet of Things Alliance "EloTA", will sign a Memorandum of Understanding to promote cutting edge global IoT technologies, with an initial focus on the ucode and T-Engine technologies. The aim of this MoU is to help promote co-operation between different regions of the world within the area of the IoT and the alliance as well as the MoU is open to any organisation that is supportive of the over-arching goals of the EloTA Alliance.

This Agreement will promote EU-Japan co-operation activities in the following areas:

1. Support the goals of European Internet of Things Alliance and its co-operation with UNL and other relevant Japanese partners.
2. Elaborate and support the implementation of EloTA plan.
3. Collaborative research activities and publications in the fields of "Unique Identification technologies", especially ucode and "embedded real-time systems", especially "TRON" and "T-Engine", and "Internet of Things" and their applications.
4. Promote the awareness and adoption of the above mentioned technologies.
5. Exchange of invitations to scholars for lectures, talks and sharing of experience.
6. Exchange of invitations to scholars to participate in conferences, colloquia and symposia, for example in the TRONSHOW.

¹ VTT, FINLAND; THE EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM ON SMART SYSTEMS INTEGRATION (EPOSS), EU; CATTID, UNIVERSITY OF ROME, ITALY; THE SMART IDENTIFICATION ASSOCIATION, UNITED KINGDOM; BRUSSELS DIRECT, BELGIUM; BASSI CONSULTING, FRANCE.

7. Exchange of information in the fields of interests to signing parties.
8. Exchange of faculty members and students for education and research.

Together with the above mentioned MoU the EIoTA has elaborated a plan to set up the necessary supporting structures to enable the cooperation between Europe and Japan as well as any subsequent regions, to take hold. The EIoTA will be an independent, non-profit European multi-stakeholder interest group geared to initiate, support and organise activities that promote the beneficial use and further development of IoT-related technologies within the European Union and abroad. Initially the EIoTA will foster close co-operation with the UNL in Japan.

The EIoTA aims to set up the following structures within the first year of operations:

- a network of Research teams or lablets concentrating on the development, application and exploitation of the above mentioned IoT technologies;
- A Communication Office with the responsibility of relations to industry and business, public authorities and Japanese partners;
- One or more Showcases with the task of promoting awareness of possibilities opening with the application of IoT in various domains.
- Support, Training and Services Operations, in charge of disseminating the technology, to implement specific developments and to provide any value-added service needed by the EU industry to successfully adopt t-kernel based systems.
- A Management Structure, providing the glue for all the above branches and in charge of strategy.

The EIoTA is started by a limited number of partners from industry, research community and public authorities. However, widening the participation of industrial and academic partners from all over Europe and other regions of the world is seen as a key factor to the long-term success of the venture.

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