

Press Release:

SIMalliance Publishes Open Mobile API Test Specification for Public Consultation

Test specification promotes standardised implementation of Open Mobile API Specification among MNOs and handset developers to support an open mobile ecosystem

04 October, 2013 -[SIMalliance](#), the global non-profit industry association which simplifies secure element (SE) implementation, has published the first release of its Open Mobile API Test Specification (v0.9) for public consultation. Mobile industry stakeholders with an interest in the Open Mobile API are encouraged to post their comments on the document which will be made available online from the [SIMalliance website](#). The Open Mobile API Test Specification is particularly relevant to mobile network operators (MNOs), device manufacturers and developers. The consultation period will run until end of November.

The Open Mobile API Test Specification v0.9 was developed by SIMalliance in response to industry demand for increased standardisation in the way that the Open Mobile API Specification is implemented globally. The Open Mobile API Specification, now at v2.04, enables mobile applications to access all types of SE in the handset and is widely used across the world; it is referenced in the GSMA's NFC Handset APIs & Requirements document and is currently implemented in more than 100 models of Android (NFC) phones globally. The specification is freely available from the [SIMalliance website](#).

The newly released test specification outlines mobile device compliance to the Open Mobile API Specification v2.04 and it defines test cases in order that conformance tests can be executed. The test specification will lead to a less fragmented approach to the way the Open Mobile API Specification is implemented in handsets and other connected devices.

Frédéric Vasnier, Chairman of SIMalliance, comments: "Considering the scale of usage of the Open Mobile API Specification and the fact that there are variances in the way the specification is currently implemented by individual MNOs and device manufacturers, the creation of the Open Mobile API Test Specification was a logical step for the SIMalliance to take. The release of this document for public consultation is a landmark in reducing the implementation fragmentation which is challenging the industry world-wide; we look forward to engaging with the stakeholders that this specification has been designed to support.

"Following the consultation process, SIMalliance will prepare an updated release of the Open Mobile API Test Specification, which will be launched alongside an Open Mobile API Test Application and will implement all the test cases. Timescales for this launch will be determined by the feedback we receive on the test specification, but this is a priority work item for SIMalliance and one that we look forward to bringing to the market as soon as possible."

The Open Mobile API Test Specification v0.9 is available to download at: <http://www.simalliance.org/en/resources/specifications/>. Feedback on the test specification is invited according to the process outlined in the overview of the specification document.

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Note to Editors:

About SIMalliance (Security, Identity, Mobility)

SIMalliance is the global, non-profit industry association which simplifies secure element (SE) implementation to drive the creation, deployment and management of secure mobile services. The organisation promotes the essential role of the secure element (SE) in delivering secure mobile applications and services across all devices that can access wireless networks. By identifying and addressing SE-related technical issues, and both clarifying and recommending existing technical standards relevant to SE implementation, the SIMalliance aims to promote an open SE ecosystem to facilitate and accelerate delivery of secure mobile applications globally.

SIMalliance members represent approx 90% of the global SIM card market and work with all global MNOs. As such, the SIMalliance's membership is responsible for delivering the most widely distributed secure application delivery platform in the world (UICC/SIM/USIM).

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