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Bruno Basquin elected Business Chair of Java Card Forum

(Paris, 8th February 2008) – Christian Goire, President of the Java Card Forum (JCF), has announced the appointment of Bruno Basquin as head of its Business Committee. He replaces the outgoing head, Frédéric Leclef.



Mr Basquin joined Gemalto in 1995, where he is currently head of the Standardization and Technology department. As such, he is closely involved in the technology and strategic decisions covering all smartcard and digital security applications. He has previously held various positions within different companies, including Field Marketing Director in Asia, Product Marketing Director and Research Engineer, in the fields of smart cards, wireless telecoms and transportation.

“We are pleased to welcome Bruno to the role of business chair,” says Mr Goire. “He will provide dynamic leadership for the Business Committee during the release of the Next Generation specifications. Bruno will certainly bring with him a wealth of experience in operational roles, as well as in technology and innovation management.”

Mr Basquin takes over the position during a key period for the industry. “eServices are becoming a strong commercial reality and their fast deployment will change our lives probably more dramatically than any other technology development we have experienced over the last 20 years.

“We are entering a new era where the capacity to carry, share and protect more personal data, to enable more electronic services in full confidence and to hook up seamlessly on the web – all in a more flexible way than ever – will be the fundamental enablers.

“The ambition of Next Generation Java Card is to be the technological and secure platform for this dramatic evolution.”

About the JCF

The primary purpose of the JCF is to promote as an industry the development of Java as the preferred interpreter language for interoperable smart cards. It is divided into two committees – the Business Committee and the Technical Committee. These have met every quarter since the JCF was founded in 1997, successfully providing recommendations to Sun Microsystems for Java Card specifications, the latest version being Java Card 2.2.2.

Current work is focused on vertical market extensions to the core specification for GSM telecom, banking and information technology, and defining specification recommendations for the Next Generation Java Card technology.

Current members of the JCF are Gemalto, Giesecke & Devrient, Incard, Infineon Technologies, NXP, Oberthur Card Systems, Renesas Technology, Sagem Orga, Sermepa, Trusted Logic and Visa.

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