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## Sisvel LTE Patent Pool Meeting to Advance IPR Licensing for 4G Technology All Owners of Essential LTE/SAE Patents Invited to Participate

**Stuttgart, November 16, 2009** – Sisvel today announced that it will hold a two-day meeting of LTE (Long Term Evolution) / SAE (System Architecture Evolution) essential patent owners beginning on February 2, 2010, to discuss the formation of an LTE/SAE patent pool. Participants will include global technology leaders in the telecommunications industry and major international LTE/SAE stakeholders, and the meeting remains open to additional parties that hold an LTE essential patent or patent application as determined by an independent patent evaluator. All parties interested in participating in the formation of an LTE/SAE patent pool are invited to contact Sisvel as soon as possible to arrange an evaluation of essentiality in advance of the February meeting. To ensure completion of the evaluation in time to join the February meeting, patent owners should submit a patent no later than December 15, 2009.

Sisvel has expanded the scope of its LTE/SAE call for patents beyond the initial list of Radio Access Specifications covered by the 36 series to include those specifications related to EPS (Evolved Packet System) which were developed in parallel with the radio access technology, as well as those specifications of release 8 needed to complete an LTE/SAE system. A full list of the relevant specifications is available from Sisvel upon request to the following address: [LTE@sisvel.com](mailto:LTE@sisvel.com).

“By bringing together a broad group of LTE/SAE essential patent owners from across the globe, Sisvel is promoting an open process to move towards a transparent and efficient joint-licensing program for LTE/SAE,” noted General Richard I. Neal, President of Sisvel US. “We have already made the patent evaluation process more efficient, with independent experts engaged in the U.S., Europe, Japan, Korea, and China at standard rates equivalent to approximately €5,000 – well below the cost of evaluation in some other pools.”

The February 2010 pool facilitation meeting follows Sisvel's explorative work with the telecommunications industry. “The timing of our facilitation meeting is consistent with our view that an LTE/SAE pool should be structured to encourage the broadest participation possible,” explained Giustino de Sanctis, Managing Director of Sisvel Germany. “Sisvel is announcing this facilitation meeting in advance to give all LTE/SAE stakeholders ample opportunity to have a seat at the table.”

### About LTE/SAE

LTE (Long Term Evolution) is the evolution of 3GPP standards for land mobile communications. It will provide higher transmission rates and enhanced user experience, primarily with high speed data services. SAE (System Architecture Evolution) is the enhancement of Packet Switched technology to cope with rapid growth in IP traffic. LTE/SAE form the basis of 3GPP Release 8 specification set.

### About Sisvel

Started in 1982 when Sisvel S.p.A. was founded in Italy, the Sisvel Group has become a world leader in managing intellectual property and maximizing the value of patent rights. The Sisvel Group is global in scope and reach, with companies in Italy (Sisvel in None Torinese and Edico in Rome), the United States (Sisvel US and Audio MPEG in Metropolitan Washington, DC), China (Sisvel Hong Kong), Japan (Sisvel Japan in Tokyo), and Germany (Sisvel Germany in Stuttgart), and with more than seventy professionals worldwide with technical, legal, and licensing expertise. Sisvel has a long history of managing successful patent portfolios including those related to the audio compression standards known as MP3 and MPEG Audio. In addition to managing a portfolio of patents relating to the DECT standard for portable digital telephones, Sisvel administers patent pools for the CDMA2000 family of cellular telecommunications standards, the UHF-RFID air interface standard, and the DVB-T broadcast standard, and is currently facilitating the creation of a DVB-T2 patent pool. Through its subsidiary Sisvel Technology, Sisvel is also engaged in the development of new technologies, including projects for 3D television and broadcasting.

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