

Deal Report

Hengeler advises on establishing platform for mobile TV

The mobile network providers Vodafone, T-Mobile and O₂ Germany intend to establish a joint venture to offer mobile television as of next year. The establishment of a common platform for mobile TV was notified to the German Federal Cartel Office on 13 April 2007. The platform company is to set up a DVB-H (Digital Video Broadcasting-Handheld) standard network and to provide the three mobile network operators and third parties with mobile TV services. From spring 2008, at least 16 TV stations are to be received via mobile telephone.

Hengeler Mueller is advising T-Mobile, Vodafone and O₂ Germany. Advice is being provided by partners Jochen Burcher and Christoph Stadler as well as associate Nicolas Kredel (all Competition).

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