T-Mobile makes access to Internet services and applications easy with widgets in new release of web'n'walk

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T-Mobile brings its customers even closer to the Internet with its new re-lease of web'n'walk which features active widgets. A single click brings users to their favourite Internet services – including YouTube, eBay, Facebook, MySpace, Yahoo! Search and other leading services. Users can customise widgets and applications according to their own personal preferences. The widgets provide alerts on the home screen that let users know if there's an update, such as a change in the status of an eBay bid, making it easy to stay up to date.

"T-Mobile is striving towards offering its customers the best Internet experience at any time and in any place. To this end, we have introduced the iPhone into our markets in cooperation with Apple and are working on a new operating system, Android, in cooperation with Google, as a member of the Open Handset Alliance. The new web'n'walk is enabling us to push ahead with this strategy and introduce a new level of Internet quality to our other devices and operating systems as well," explained Dr. Rainer Deutschmann, Senior Vice President Mobile Internet, T-Mobile International AG. "We invite the industry to support the develop-ment and wide-spread adoption of this open, standards-based platform for the benefit of users and application developers."

T-Mobile has continued to partner with top Internet companies to provide customers with the choice of 100+ widgets, available through the well-known web'n'walk landing page and the new widget gallery service. Users have the freedom to select the widgets and applications they want and can customise how the widgets are displayed on their mobile phone. The number of widgets available will continuously increase throughout the year.

Widgets for web'n'walk are based on an open standard, jointly developed with the browser pioneer Opera Software ASA. The next release of web'n'walk launches in Austria, Germany, Netherlands and United Kingdom in spring 2009.

It will be available initially on smartphones with touch screens, such as the MDA Compact IV and the MDA Vario IV. Additional compatible handsets from Nokia, Samsung and Sony Ericsson for the mass market will be re-leased throughout the year.