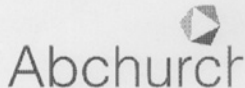


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Partnership between Teleunit S.p.A and LEAD IP Systems for IP-Telephony access services in Italy announced

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Teleunit Spa, a telecomms provider based in Italy, has announced that it has signed an agreement with LEAD IP Systems, a developer and supplier of full turnkey Internet Protocol telephony and data security access systems, to provide telephony lines throughout Italy to business and residential customers.

The company will use LEAD's TelcoSuite access system to offer telephony lines, including analogue and ISDN interfaces for phone, fax & modem calls. The access system is designed for telephony access using broadband and supports advanced telephony services including caller-ID, MSN, DDI, Call-divert, encrypted phone/fax calls, voicemail, unified-messaging and customer web access.

In addition, the packages also include Internet data access and security services such as remotely managed firewalls and VPN data networking. Teleunit will maintain customers' existing private branch exchange infrastructures, as well as hosting customers' existing telephone numbers.