

Ekinops Chosen by Swisscom for Access Network Virtualization Software

PARIS, 9 November 2020 - EKinOPS (Euronext Paris - FR0011466069 – EKI), a network access and virtualization specialist, today announces that Swisscom (Bern/CH), a leading ICT company in Switzerland, has selected Ekinops to deliver a new virtualized network solution on uCPE (universal Customer Premises Equipment).

The Ekinops innovative solution, part of its [Compose](#) software portfolio, will make Swisscom the first in Switzerland to offer an agile branch connectivity solution to enterprise customers, based on virtualization technology, without disrupting existing services. The solution is comprised of the Ekinops fully open NFVi (Network Function Virtualization infrastructure), **OneOS6-LIM** middleware (**O**perating **S**ystem and **L**ocal Infrastructure **M**anager), allowing access to an extensive catalog of certified VNFs (Virtualized Network Functions). This gives Swisscom the flexibility to select any white-box CPE hardware and choose from a range of third-party and Ekinops VNFs, as well as freeing them from vendor lock-in and simplifying supplier management.

“We have been really impressed with Ekinops’ expertise and innovation in branch office connectivity and look forward to delivering this truly open and simple-to-deploy solution” **comments Reto Baschera, SVP Marketing B2B at Swisscom**. “The agility and close support we’ve experienced with Ekinops has streamlined our migration towards an SDN model, allowing us to futureproof our network and expand our service offering.”

With embedded OneOS6 routing functionality, the solution frees up valuable processing capacity for other VNFs, facilitating more efficient resource utilization and high-speed connectivity of up to 10 Gbps for end users. As a real turnkey solution, the OneOS6-LIM software comes with the powerful embedded Design Studio for simple configuration and troubleshooting of VNF service chains. With zero-touch provisioning, it also significantly shortens time to market from design to service delivery.

“This deal proves that the business case for NFV is no longer theoretical, it’s real,” **adds Frank Dedobbeleer, VP Group Sales EMEA & APAC at Ekinops**. “Ekinops has long championed innovation in network virtualization so this is a particularly promising and exciting partnership. Swisscom is known for its forward-thinking and innovation based on the latest network technology. This solution will enable yet another tier-1 service provider to continue to innovate at the highest level with Ekinops advanced virtualization software without interrupting its everyday service delivery.”

The full deployment of the software solution within the Live Network of Swisscom will start early 2021.

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About EKINOPS

Ekinops is a leading provider of open and fully interoperable Layer 1, 2 and 3 solutions to service providers around the world. Our programmable and highly scalable solutions enable the fast, flexible and cost-effective deployment of new services for both high-speed, high-capacity optical transport as well as virtualization-enabled managed enterprise services.

Our product portfolio consists of three highly complementary product and service sets: EKINOPS 360, OneAccess and Compose.

EKINOPS 360 provides optical transport solutions for metro, regional and long-distance networks with WDM for high-capacity point-to-point, ring and optical mesh architectures, and OTN for improved bandwidth utilization and efficient multi-service aggregation.

OneAccess offers a wide choice of physical and virtualized deployment options for Layer 2 and Layer 3 access network functions.

Compose supports service providers in making their networks software-defined with a variety of software management tools and services, including the scalable SD-WAN Xpress.

As service providers embrace SDN and NFV deployment models, Ekinops enables future-proofed deployment today, enabling operators to seamlessly migrate to an open, virtualized delivery model at a time of their choosing.

A global organization, Ekinops (EKI) - a public company traded on the Euronext Paris exchange - is headquartered in Lannion, France, and Ekinops Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary, is incorporated in the USA.

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