





# Implementing the Public WiFi Service on the Dubai Metro

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## **Nomad Digital**

- Broadband communications solutions to the rail industry
- □ Founded in 2002 Newcastle, UK
- Deployed world's first genuine passenger WiFi deployment
- Projects across Europe, USA, Dubai, India, China, Australia, South Africa





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- 25+ projects
- Market Leader
- Passenger Solutions
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#### **Passenger Solutions**

- Entertainment
  - Multimedia
  - Infotainment
  - Internet Access
  - Payment Services





Information

- Intelligent PIS
- Journey Portal
- Location Information
- Location Advertising

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### **Dubai Metro**



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### **Dubai Metro – Project Overview**

- Customer du (telecoms operator) on behalf of RTA
- Primary Application: passenger WiFi internet access
- □ TOC motivation: leading edge technology
- du motivation: revenue (under concession), customer loyalty & branding
- Fleets: 79 Kinki Sharyo trains (5 car)
- Routes: Red & Green lines (city of Dubai)
- Deployment: 18 months from design approvals
- Launch: Sep 2009



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as of May 15 2010







### **Dubai Metro – Nomad Role**

- Train communications platform
- Train design, approvals & project mgt
- □ Interface with Kinki Sharyo (for partial factory pre-fitment)
- Station WiFi deployment (48 stations)
- □ Interface with Motorola (re mobile WiMAX CPE integration)
- Network Operations Centre (in du facilities)
- In-house train installation team
- Operate end-to-end solution

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## Dubai Metro – Passenger WiFi

- Service Availability: throughout train; all 3 classes
- Brand/Service Provider: du
- Pricing:
  - □ for-pay in all classes
  - □ approx Euro 1.25 / hour for pay as you go
- Access: via on-train landing page/portal
- Mobility: seamless station platform to on-train session mobility



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## **Dubai Metro – Technology Deployed**

- On-Train
  - Nomad 3500 CCU
  - WANs: 3G & 802.16e ("WIMAX")
  - □ LAN: Wireless inter-carriage links
  - Seamless station platform to on-train wireless handover
- Trackside:
  - Public 3G networks
  - □ Interface with du's dedicated Mobile WiMAX network



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## **Dubai Metro – Operation**

□ All equipment remotely monitored in real-time by Nomad service desk

□ Nomad 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> line support in country



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# **Brief overview of Seamless Mobility solution for the Dubai Metro**

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## **The need for Client Mobility**

- □ Wireless LAN is not only about wire-less
- Need for mobility, and not only "hotspot" connectivity
- Mobility is when a client move from one Access Point to an other
- Access points can be on a single controller or on different controllers
- Clients need to keep IP connectivity (same IP address)
- Client Mobility is mandatory for some applications (Voice, Video, Business Applications, ...)









**Client Database** 

## **Layer 2 Mobility**

- Nomad were asked to design a network that would allow a user to roam seamlessly between Train and station and vice versa, maintaining their IP address and their session.
- To do this, all wireless controllers were put in the same Mobility Group
- In this example a wireless client on the Dubai Metro connects to Train AP01 on Controller 1, where a client database entry is then created on the controller.
- The wireless client then roams to Train AP02 on Controller 1 simulating moving from one car to another on board the train.
- Once the client steps off the train onto the station, they seamlessly roam from Train AP02 (Controller 1) to Station AP01 (Controller 2). The controller makes a mobility announcement to other controllers in the Mobility group stating that the client has now roamed. The client database entry for that client is then moved to controller 2.



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What Next?

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## Fleet Manager – Screenshot (SL)









### **Live Passenger Info**

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### **Operational Alerts**

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Excessive Shocks		15:55			
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Overspeeding		16:45			

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## eTicketing





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#### **Live High Quality CCTV**



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# Live Two-Way Video



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# **Other applications**

- Energy Monitoring
- Seat Reservation Systems
- OTMR download
- TMS download
- Incident Management
- Door Monitoring
- Driver Monitoring
- On board entertainment







## Thank You.

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