

The **i3 Forum** brings together the communications expertise of 24 telecommunications operators representing a combined retail base in excess of one and a half billion customers in over 100 countries. The goal of the i3 Forum is to develop collaborative recommendations for an industry-wide transition of voice and related services to Internet Protocol (IP). The forum's unified effort to expedite global IP-based voice implementation will enhance worldwide communication by supporting widespread access to innovative and high quality IP-based services and applications.

The i3 Forum's approach is simple and pragmatic. Our current focus is on how to develop and implement possible paths for the industry transition of international bilateral voice to IP.

*"We are laying the foundations and looking at the very basic elements of our businesses. This is important now because we are reaching an IP tipping point."*

*- Philippe Millet, Chairman, i3 Forum*

## Vision

The objective of i3 Forum is to contribute to, explore and promote ideas for innovative services within the international telecommunications sector, while considering international service interconnection requirements for different players and services. The desired result of this collaboration is to enable end-users to enjoy new, high quality IP-enabled services and applications, such as streaming video and high-bandwidth conference sessions and voice calls across all networks.

## Work Streams

- Service:** explores the impact on existing services and business models of migrating from TDM to IP voice interconnection and seeks to maximize business benefits and service opportunities
- Technical:** defines network architectures and interfaces (based on existing standards and recommendations) to support implementation of trusted, secure and QoS compliant international IP-based interconnection.
- Migration:** develops processes, guidelines and recommendations for an efficient migration from TDM to IP

The i3 Forum is actively working with other industry bodies (i.e. ITU, GSMA, IPIA...) to shape the future of the interconnect business.

## More Information

Building a successful future of the voice industry depends on the cooperation and support of service providers worldwide. We are currently welcoming new members to join us in sharing experience and best practices. For more information and to apply for membership, simply visit us at [www.i3forum.org](http://www.i3forum.org).