

## Press release

### **Société Générale decides in favor of KOBIL mIDentity**

#### **Major bank emphasizes certificate-based digital security**

**Worms / Paris August 27th, 2010.** With Société Générale one of the three oldest and most important commercial banks in France is offering KOBIL's mIDentity USB smart token to its regional and international corporate customers to improve online cash management transactions security. KOBIL mIDentity technology by the leading Germany manufacturer of mobile and highly secure IT solutions KOBIL Systems guarantees highly secure and certificate-based e-Banking. mIDentity is a smart card-reader in the form of USB device, equipped with a flash-memory. The required applications (e.g. the internet-browser) are pre-installed and therefore no further installation is required. KOBIL is already providing the mIDentity to many well-known Banks worldwide.

Société Générale SG e-secure keys (mIDentity) rollout started in February this year, at first 25000 corporate customers for certificate-based strong authentication and transaction digital signature.

Société Générale chose Kobil's mIDentity technology for his e-secure web fraud protection solution designed to achieve a perfect balance of security, mobility and ease of use in a single personal portable secure USB device.

SG e-secure web fraud protection solution meet new French banking regulation authority (Banque de France) requirements and goes far beyond to protect financial transactions against next-gen sophisticated man in the browser attacks.

Société Générale and Kobil effective partnership is engaged since 2008 and for several projects.

KOBIL has been doing research and development in the field of digital identity for decades and is ahead of the current security standards. For this effort KOBIL received numerous awards, lately the inclusion to the top IT cluster, promoted by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research.

SG e-secure keys devices are remotely and securely updated by mIDentity smart security management server.

Société Générale planned to equip all corporate customers with SG e-secure keys. KOBIL has gained trust with the granted validity of the transactions on one hand and with the user comfort of the device, the support services and update capability of the device on the other hand.

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## **About KOBIL Systems**

KOBIL Systems is a market leader and trendsetter in the production of mobile high security IT solutions in the area of digital identities. KOBIL stands for secure data, secure communication and secure authentication on every computer worldwide. Founded in 1986, the 100-strong KOBIL Group based in Worms, Germany, is the only manufacturer worldwide with a fully developed product line. As a pioneer in the area of cryptography, smart card technology and PKI (digital certificates), KOBIL's products have become today's recognized standard for digital identities and highly secure data technology. The development of the products is done in Germany with 40 percent of the staff involved in the development at the KOBIL headquarters alone. KOBIL applications comply with international standards such as EMV-CAP, ISO 7816, ISO 9001 and the German Act for Digital Signature. KOBIL products also support common technology standards making it very simple to integrate them into existing IT infrastructures. IT security solutions by KOBIL are mobile, flexible and user friendly, and are used in a variety of different industries. Businesses, banks and institutions such as Deutsche Telekom, Swisscom, RWE, T-Systems, DATEV, Commerzbank, Migros Bank, Valiant Bank, Hypothekbank Lenzburg, Rothschild Bank, UBS, RZB, YapiKredi Bank, Isbank as well as the German parliament and the German Federal Office for Information Security (BSI) rely on technologies by KOBIL.

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