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Rohde & Schwarz strengthens its position in the drive test market by acquiring SwissQual

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Rohde & Schwarz integrates SwissQual, a leading provider of systems for measuring and assessing the quality of service (QoS) in wireless networks, into the Rohde & Schwarz group of companies. Through the acquisition of SwissQual, founded in 2000 and based in Zuchwil, Switzerland, Rohde & Schwarz will be in a position to even better and more fully address the drive test market with a complete industry-leading technological offering.

The acquisition contract for the SwissQual company group was signed on June 22, 2012. Effective July 2, 2012, SwissQual will be a fully independent Rohde & Schwarz subsidiary. The company headquarters and regional presences will be retained. It will be referred to as "SwissQual AG - A Rohde & Schwarz Company" in external communications.

The product portfolios of both companies ideally complement each other: Rohde & Schwarz, with its expertise in RF test equipment, is well positioned in the network optimization and network engineering segments. SwissQual, the market leader for benchmarking systems, contributes solutions for network benchmarking and network monitoring. The product portfolio will offer a full range of solutions for QoS testing, end-to-end testing, drive test systems, scanners and wireless network optimization. The two companies already have a sales partnership for the R&S ROMES2GO smartphone- based test mobile phones that were developed by SwissQual.

After years of substantial investment and rapid growth, the SwissQual shareholders were seeking a strong partner who would support continued growth. SwissQual is one of the largest independent suppliers of solutions for quality of service (QoS) benchmarking and RF optimization of wireless networks. The company is a recognized expert in the assessment of voice, data and video quality in wireless networks. SwissQual, an international company with around 100 employees, is currently expanding its staff.

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