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## **Gemalto Partners with Open Communications Security to Deploy Online Identity Authentication in Latin America**

**São Paulo, May 18, 2009** - Gemalto, the world leader in digital security, and Open Communications Security S/A, a Brazilian company specialized in information security, have entered into a partnership to collaborate on sales, consulting, implementation and support of Gemalto's Protiva [authentication solutions](#) in Brazil and other countries in the Mercosur. The two companies target telecom operators, banks and corporate organizations.

Enterprises in Brazil and throughout Latin America are faced with constantly increasing risks of data breaches, and one of the biggest problems is the use of usernames and passwords for network identity authentication. Adding a personal security device to the authentication process delivers a very strong network security improvement. Gemalto has a broad range of two factor authentication solutions for information security and protection against online identity theft, including smart cards and USB tokens for OTP or PKI certificate-based digital identities, Web-based certificate and device management systems, and authentication servers.

"OPEN's local market experience combined with Gemalto's reliability, strength, and broad range of innovative digital security solutions will provide our customers with an outstanding combination of local support and the most advanced technology available," states Ricardo Orsi, Open Communications Security SA chief director.

"Gemalto has new options that make it easy for any size enterprise to implement strong authentication for their information systems," said André Riva, Gemalto's sales manager in Brazil. "Our partnership with OPEN will give that added value of local support, and positions us to work closely with companies in Brazil and throughout the Mercosur to enhance their information and network security."

## **About Gemalto**

Gemalto (Euronext NL 0000400653 GTO) is the world leader in digital security with 2008 annual revenues of €1.68 billion, and 10,000 employees operating out of 75 offices, research and service centers in 40 countries.

Gemalto is at the heart of our evolving digital society. The freedom to communicate, travel, shop, bank, entertain, and work — anytime, anywhere — has become an integral part of what people want and expect, in ways that are convenient, enjoyable and secure.

Gemalto delivers on the growing demands of billions of people worldwide for mobile connectivity, identity and data protection, credit card safety, health and transportation services, e-government and national security. We do this by supplying to governments, wireless operators, banks and enterprises a wide range of secure personal devices, such as subscriber identification modules (SIM) in mobile phones, smart banking cards, smart card access badges, electronic passports, and USB tokens for online identity protection. To complete the solution we also provide software, systems and services to help our customers achieve their goals.

As the use of Gemalto's software and secure devices increases with the number of people interacting in the digital and wireless world, the company is poised to thrive over the coming years.

For more information please visit [www.gemalto.com](http://www.gemalto.com).

## **About Open Communications Security**

Open Communications Security S/A has great expertise in data security. It develops its own solutions and has a wide range of interoperable technologies with representation of big global players in the segment.

Open counts on a staff of experienced professionals, with consistent academic and scientific education. Its knowledge group has been kept and has been developing since the company foundation, using P&D best practices, highlighting the company as a leader in the security and cryptography areas.

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