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Press Release

BSI awarded OpenLimit with certificate for XML signature

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eANVPortal® from Fritz & Macziol unique software solution for electronic refuse authentication processes with certified electronic signature

(Baar/Stuttgart, December 18th, 2008) The Federal Office for Information Security (BSI) certified the current signature components from OpenLimit. The BSI President of Department Bernd Kowalski handed over the confirmation certificate to the project partners OpenLimit, Fritz & Macziol and IBM last week in Stuttgart. Fritz & Macziol applies the components in its portal for the electronic refuse authentication process. With the certification the BSI, as independent third party, confirms the correct functionality in this application and the compliance with German signature law. The eANVportal® from Fritz & Macziol is the first and so far unique software solution for the electronic authentication process that features the electronic signature with BSI certificate.

OpenLimit allows legally compliant electronic handling of the authentication process

The electronic authentication process is legally binding for all waste management companies from 2010. Producers, carriers and waste management companies can start to fill out the already existing paper-based forms on the computer via the eANVportal®. But only the qualified electronic signature from OpenLimit adds full legal validity to the refuse authentication process. In the portal solution by Fritz & Macziol forms are displayed via the IBM Lotus Forms Viewer. The parties involved in the waste cycle fill out the corresponding fields and confirm their contribution to the process of waste disposal. In order to digitally sign their data, waste management companies require a signature card and a card reader.

XML signature certified by the BSI

The new OpenLimit signature components support the signature type XMLDSIG, applied in the eANVportal® and the IBM Lotus Forms Viewer. For the first time the BSI confirmed the legal security of an XML signature technology according to Common Criteria EAL 4+, an international standard for the evaluation and certification of the security of computer systems with regard to data security.

About OpenLimit:

OpenLimit is an internationally leading provider of certified electronic identity and signature solutions. The components of the solution can be easily integrated into existing applications and allow a highly efficient document management, workflows without discontinuity of media and process optimization for all business areas. OpenLimit holds the very first certification recognizing world-wide compliance with the international security standard Common Criteria EAL 4+ guaranteeing the highest degree of security and legal validity currently available.

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