



FASTWEB launches the i-concerts branded VoD service for the first time in Italy An exciting channel for music fans of all ages

Milan,13th October 2008 - FASTWEB, Italy's second-largest fixed telecommunications provider, and I-CONCERTS announce an agreement to offer an exciting new channel featuring concerts and live music performances. The new channel is a Video-on-Demand (VoD) channel available to FASTWEBTV subscribers as of today. This is the first launch of an i-concerts branded service in Italy.

FASTWEB*TV*'s subscribers will be able to watch hours of the most popular A-list artist performances, live concerts and backstage. All the content is characterized by its excellent quality of image and sound which is further enhanced by FASTWEB's IPTV-DTT hybrid decoder that guarantees the best audio-video experience. The channel is available in the Music&Fun section of FASTWEB*TV* (channel 71).

The i-concerts channel covers all tastes and genres including:

- some of the live concerts that changed our world: The Rolling Stones, Paul McCartney, Bob Marley, U2, Ben Harper, REM
- the extras of the Red Hot Chili Peppers and Amy Winehouse
- the greatest hits of Robbie Williams, The Smashing Pumpkins, Gorillaz, Muse
- the performances of some of the most renowned Italian artists: Eros Ramazzotti, Paolo Conte, Andrea Bocelli.

"I-concerts on-demand not only enriches our branded channels" said Andrea Conte, FASTWEB's Director of Consumer Business Unit "but it is exciting for music fans of all ages. FASTWEB*TV*, with its multithematic and multichannel approach, is a perfect match for an inquisitive target which is used to navigating on the Internet and is searching for new formats and new languages on a traditional medium like the TV".

"Fastweb is without a doubt one of the most remarkable and innovative IPTV companies in Europe. We are delighted to see i-concerts deployed on their platform and look forward to providing the best live music entertainment to Italian music fans" commented Natalia Tsarkova, CEO of i-concerts.

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About FASTWEB

FASTWEB was the first company in the world to launch IPTV. FASTWEBTV viewers have the widest choice of content integrated in a single interactive interface thanks to its hybrid multiplatform digital decoder. With FASTWEB television it is possible for viewers to access digital terrestrial TV services, analogue national channels, network-based PVR and catch-up TV, thematic channels from both satellite and analogue platforms, Sky satellite channels, a PPV offer, VoD of thousands of movies, cartoons, documentaries, TV services and music clips, videogames and unique edutainment channels.

About i-concerts

i-concerts, a division of Transmedia Communications SA, Europe's leading broadband syndicator, is a pioneering concept in videoon-demand programming and has been created as a TV-quality cross-media channel designed for broadband networks, providing today over 800 hours of premium music programming for on-demand streaming. Unlike most existing music platforms, the service is available exclusively on a syndication basis to IPTV and broadband networks looking to bring premium on-demand content to their subscribers. i-concerts is currently available through Free Telecom, Neuf, Numericable, Alice France, Swisscom and SK Broadband (South Korea). It also operates the first 24-hour concert HDTV channel in Europe, i-concerts HD.