

Handheld for harsh environments

Mobexx has launched an ultra rugged and powerful hand held computer designed for use in harsh public safety, security and field engineering environments. The 2T Hydrus provides reliable computing for the harshest of environments and offers a wide range of expansion options, including RFID readers, custom configuration and colours. A Xenon flash equipped version - Hydrus Luna – is also available for taking high quality photographs in poorly lit premises, dark warehouses and even under overcast skies. The Hydrus has one of the largest capacity batteries available on the market, providing up to 40 hours of working time for field-based applications.

www.mobexx.co.uk

Shiny clean Windows 7: The new version of Microsoft's PC operating system, Windows 7, has launched to much acclaim, being cited by The Guardian as "the best version of Windows you can get". Indeed, "like Vista, but good". It uses fewer resources than Vista and is more secure than XP. A reduced footprint and optimisation also means it boots, sleeps and wakes up faster than previous versions. Microsoft has tried hard to make Windows 7 deliver on a simple premise: make it easier for people to do the things they want on a PC. The new operating system offers a streamlined user interface and significant new features that make everyday tasks easier and allow people to get the most out of computers of all styles and sizes.

www.windows.com

Seek and ye shall find

Simplexo has launched Simplexo Mobile, a new way to search for data held on back office computers when out on the road. Available now for the iPhone, Windows Mobile 6 devices and Blackberrys, Simplexo Mobile can simultaneously search across all enterprise environments including SharePoint, live and archived email, word processing documents, images, spreadsheets, databases, applications such as CRM and SAP.



Gritting in real-time

Masternaut Three X and GRITIT have developed a unique web-based solution for gritting operations. VisuLive uses Masternaut's real-time vehicle tracking and telematics plus PDA-based mobile field service software and real-time business intelligence solution to generate jobs in response to MORST (Met Office Road Surface Temperature) reports.

www.masternaut.co.uk



Adobe LiveCycle Enterprise Suite 2: The latest version of Adobe's LiveCycle rich internet application framework includes mobile access, Flash based workspaces and cloud deployment to deliver applications for business-critical customer interactions. Organisations can deliver personalised experiences that connect to automated processes and embed real-time collaboration in applications to improve customer experience and boost employee productivity.

www.adobe.com/livecycle

Scalable licence for NLPG: The National Land and Property Gazetteer can now be licensed for smaller geographical areas, which brings down the cost considerably for organisations such as housing associations and primary care trusts. Until recently, subsets of the definitive national address database were only available commercially by Government Office Region. NLPG data can now be licensed based on local authority boundaries with pricing based on the number of BLPUs (Basic Land and Property Unit) in the area. Trafford Housing Trust is the first to take advantage of the new pricing structure.

www.intelligent-addressing.co.uk

Housing market analysis: The Audit Commission has launched a user-friendly online tool to increase understanding of housing market issues and trends in local areas. The Housing Market Analysis Tool provides a range of indicators, allowing users to look at issues in local housing markets, as well as demographic change, levels of deprivation, the local economy and local environment.

www.audit-commission.gov.uk

Heat loss maps: Bluesky has launched an easy-to-use property heat loss mapper to help local authorities view thermal data collected during airborne thermal imaging surveys. The HELIOS (Heat Loss Investigation System) web based reporting tool, developed by Manchester Geomatics, will help energy and environment teams understand the results of thermal surveys and allow cross referencing of data with other information.

www.bluesky-world.com

MapMechanics has launched GeoXploit, a complete mapping software and data package with powerful presentational, thematic and analytical capabilities. Using a range of inclusive, pre-configured digital map data, and supporting business and demographic data, users can bypass the usual learning curve of such products. GeoXploit costs £3,495 + VAT - including ready-to-use UK street mapping and licensed access to aerial photography, plus a range of map-related data such as population and social class data, postcodes and business delivery points.

www.geoexploit.com

Unisys is to use Enigmatec's run book automation software to power a key infrastructure component of its Secure Cloud Solution. It will form the foundation for Unisys uOrchestrate solutions, which powers the real-time infrastructure supporting Unisys Secure Cloud Solution. This will enable enterprise clients to securely move conventional business applications – including those with secure or sensitive data – into a managed, shared cloud service without costly, time-consuming rewrites or other alterations.

www.unisys.com www.enigmatec.com

Web based GIS

GGP Systems has launched the latest version of its web based geographic information system, eGGP 2009. Designed to make up to the minute local authority service information readily accessible via the internet, it provides access to data held in spatial database formats and has a new-look user interface with advanced mapping functionality. A faster more refined online experience is underpinned by a reworked map rendering engine. eGGP 2009 also provides improved security with sophisticated user authentication and account management.

www.ggpsystems.co.uk

