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Kaba licences patents for Mobile Access for hotels and other accommodation providers

- > Worldwide licensing agreement for the development of access solutions using mobile phones
- > Licences can be passed on to Kaba customers

Kaba Group and ICEPAT AG today signed a worldwide licensing agreement that allows Kaba Group to develop, produce and operate access solutions for mobile phones in the hotel and temporary accommodation sector, as well as giving it the right to pass on these solutions to customers. ICEPAT AG holds various ground-breaking patents for Mobile Access Solutions. Kaba has been working with ICEPAT for several years.

The demand for Mobile Access Solutions has risen sharply. Hotel operators, for example, want mobile phone applications that make it easier for customers to check in, check out and access their rooms, thus removing the need to wait at reception. Customers can also be sent additional offers and information by mobile, which can increase customer loyalty. Landlords of holiday apartments and student lodgings are also interested, because these solutions can increase the efficiency of access authorisation processes and make them more convenient for users.

"This licence creates genuine added value for our customers," says Andreas Häberli, Chief Technology Officer at Kaba Group. "If our Mobile Access-compatible hotel locks are installed, the operator also gets the right to use the applications patented by ICEPAT. This licence agreement for hotel solutions allows Kaba to introduce its Mobile Access Solutions right across the market."

"We are very pleased that our visions, which we patented more than ten years ago, have now become reality," say the two inventors and patent-holders Rudolf Ritter and Eric Lauper of ICEPAT AG. "Following many years of work on Mobile Access Solutions with innovation leader Kaba, we are pleased that they have now licensed this ground-breaking invention."

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Kaba – Beyond security

With its innovative products, systems and services, globally active technology group Kaba is a leading provider of high quality access management solutions, keys, cylinders, physical access systems, enterprise data and time recording, and hotel access systems. The group is also a global market leader for high security locks, key blanks, transponder keys and key manufacturing machines. The stock exchange-listed group has sales of around one billion Swiss francs and employs around 9,000 people in more than 60 countries. For more than 150 years Kaba has set trends in security and beyond - in terms of functionality, convenience and design, and always with a focus on optimum value to customers.

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For more information please visit www.kaba.com

ICEPAT AG

ICEPAT AG holds a comprehensive portfolio of patents in the Mobile Services sector. ICEPAT works on product development and helps its partners develop business solutions. ICEPAT is owned by the inventors.

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