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**SFR leads the way in mobile internet
4G will be commercially available at the end of November**

- **3G+: coverage of 98.6% of the population since this summer**
- **Dual Carrier (DC-HSDPA+): coverage of 60% of the population by the end of 2012**
- **4G (LTE): commercially available in Lyons on November 28**

Since the end of 2011 SFR has provided the most extensive mobile 3G+ coverage in the country. **In the summer of 2012, 3G+ coverage reached 98.6%** of the population, and this figure will continue to improve and will reach 99.3% of the population by the end of 2013.

In parallel with the extension of its 3G+ coverage, SFR continues to improve the performance of its mobile network. As a pioneer in the deployment of HSPA+ technology as soon as 2010, SFR's 3G+ network has been able to **provide widespread speeds of 21Mbit/s in the first half of 2012**, with more than 88% of the population now covered.

DC-HSDPA+ ("Dual Carrier") deployments, which started in 2011, now make it possible for SFR to offer this technology over a large area, which by the end of the year will cover 60% of the population. DC-HSDPA+ provides a dual connection, up to 42Mbit/s, between the terminal and the aerial, which results in a doubling of speeds regardless of the distance between the user and the aerial, unlike earlier technologies.

Until now, only the new iPad was compatible with this technology, as SFR demonstrated in Marseilles last March. With the iPhone 5, available since September 21 and compatible with DC-HSDPA+, SFR will be able to provide a larger number of people with Very High Speed mobile performance on its network. Two other smartphones, the HTC One XL and the Motorola Razr HD, which will be available from SFR from September 25, will also include DC-HSDPA+ technology.

4G deployments, which started during the year particularly in Lyons and Montpellier, are at an advanced pilot project stage. **SFR will make its 4G network commercially available in Lyons on November 28 of this year**, with a complete range of terminals and with the new "Formules Carrées" offers and tariffs launched today.

These further advances confirm SFR's commitment to invest very heavily in its Very High Speed mobile infrastructures throughout France, since it is convinced that the quality and performance of its network will make more difference than ever to its customers, whether they are operators, businesses or private individuals.

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of mobile, fixed, internet or television services. With access to the largest network, SFR has the resources to match its ambitions: to be an open and responsible service provider providing the best of digital services to all its customers, whether personal or corporate.

At the end of June 2012, SFR had nearly 21 million mobile customers, including more than 16 million mobile and 5 million home broadband subscribers. SFR is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Vivendi Group and has nearly 10,000 employees.

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