

## **Formotus Announces Support for Mobile Business Forms on Android Phones**

*Delivering SharePoint productivity to people in the field by enabling forms designed just once to be used online or offline on all kinds of mobile devices*

**BARCELONA, SPAIN —8:00AM February 15, 2010 —** [Formotus, Inc.](#) announced today that businesses using Android devices can now take advantage of its platform for rapid delivery of custom business applications.

Formotus unveiled the beta version of its mobile workforce automation software running on Android devices for the first time today at the Mobile World Congress. Formotus demonstrated its mobile software in the Samsung booth.

### **Design Once, Deploy to Any Device**

The Formotus presentation at Mobile World Congress demonstrated that it's possible to design a business app once and use the same form on multiple mobile platforms. The same SharePoint-connected form is running side-by-side on an Android phone and a Windows phone in the Samsung exhibit.

The need to re-write custom business applications for all the different types of phones has long been a stumbling block preventing the widespread adoption of mobile workforce automation. Formotus provides a way to avoid that problem.

"The secret to the Formotus breakthrough is that we build intelligent, connected business forms using standards-based XML technologies," said Adriana Neagu, co-founder and CEO of Formotus. "We did the work of porting our rich client software to Android, so the same XML-based forms that already worked on Windows Mobile now work on Android as well."

Which mobile platform will Formotus tackle next? "We haven't made that decision yet," said Neagu, "we're just very excited right now about starting to put Android phones to work in the enterprise."

### **Connecting Business Phone Apps to SharePoint — without a Browser**

One key feature of Formotus mobile forms is their ability to [connect directly to SharePoint](#) over-the-air, both to retrieve data that field workers need and to submit data collected in the field.

When people think of Microsoft SharePoint they normally think of browsers, and there are companies who focus on trying to optimize the experience of visiting a [SharePoint site on a mobile phone browser](#). Formotus thinks differently.

"At Formotus we think of SharePoint as a convenient way to connect mobile workers to company information," said Neagu. "We just don't believe mobile browsers are the best way to achieve productivity. Browsers are too dependent on having a constant and reliable data connection, and that's not the way it is in the real world."

Formotus installs a rich client application on the phone that is optimized for offline productivity. The client software gives mobile users the ability to manage multiple drafts of multiple forms, and it saves submitted forms in a queue to be sent to SharePoint when a data connection is available.

Formotus forms can be used to [capture signatures](#), drawings, photos, GPS positions, bar codes, time stamps and more. All this information is captured in forms that can be submitted to SharePoint for use back in the office. Formotus mobile forms are [compatible with Microsoft Office InfoPath forms](#), so mobile workers and office workers can collaborate closely in [dispatch and workflow scenarios](#).

Formotus mobile business forms can be used to automate mobile workflow and data collection in any industry and are especially well suited to solutions in scenarios involving field service and repair, deliveries, surveys, inventory, inspections, and mobile health care.

### **About Formotus**

Formotus, Inc. is the creator of the Formotus Software + Services Platform which enables businesses of any size to create, deploy and manage the lifecycle of mobile business applications on all kinds of phone. Formotus Software + Services are sold through carriers and a growing network of partners. To learn more about how Formotus makes mobilizing business data fast, easy and low cost visit [www.formotus.com](http://www.formotus.com).

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