

New Vodacom narrowband IoT lab in Midrand

NEWSWATCH: At its new narrowband internet of things (NB-IoT) lab at Vodaworld in Midrand, Vodacom aims to incubate and commercialise machine-to-machine (M2M) and IoT systems using narrowband networking.



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According to reports, the lab is situated on the roof of Vodacom's data centre in Midrand, and it is the first step towards the development of a smart campus which will monitor and meter utilities on the network.

Says Vodacom IoT managing executive Deon Liebenberg: "Vodacom's NB-IoT lab provides a controlled test environment and framework for customers and developers to develop hardware and applications as well as test their end-point devices on the NB-IoT network. Our ultimate goal is to nurture an ecosystem of developers, engineers and entrepreneurs for NB-IoT applications on the continent."

The opening of the NB-IoT lab follows the mobile operator's recent announcement that it has successfully completed the launch of Africa's first live NB-IoT site, in partnership with Huawei.

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