



Former engine CEO Ilkka Tales appointed Chief Executive Officer of Australian IT Services/Telecommunications provider Hostech

Sydney, March 2, 2010 – Australian IT services and telecommunications company Hostech today announced the appointment of information technology industry veteran Ilkka Tales as Chief Executive Officer.

Tales succeeds Carlos Perez, who continues in the role of Executive Director responsible for Hostech's telecommunications businesses.

Tales has been a Hostech company director since November, 2009. He was previously CEO and founder of ASX-listed telecommunications pioneer engine, and CEO of ASX-listed direct marketing company Mobile Innovations.

Hostech chairman Campbell Corfe said Tales' appointment supported the company's strategic direction to strengthen its role in the IT services and telecommunications sector.

With his strong background in mergers and acquisitions, Tales had been instrumental in helping Hostech acquire six companies during the past 12 weeks.

According to Corfe, the combination of Tales as CEO and incoming executive chairman Peter Kazacos has brought together two industry innovators who helped drive and transform their respective IT industry sectors. Their combined skills would provide Hostech with a wealth of management and entrepreneurial talent that will help drive the company forward.

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About Hostech:

Hostech is playing a pivotal role in the aggregation and integration of full service regional IT and Telecommunications businesses serving small to medium enterprises. In December 2009 Hostech acquired the businesses of 5 Star Telecom and Officelink+ adding breadth to its Sholl and OneNetWork brands. The four acquisitions of Anittel, Accord, Axxis and Aspirence announced February 10, 2010 expand the regional focus of the business and significantly add to the customer base the combined entities serve.