

# SVS AND ALEF DEVELOP AFGHAN SAT STATION

Magnus Simons, Senior Director of Business Development at Yahlive, said the new platform would significantly expand the country's current broadcast infrastructure: "We are pleased to have found a collective uplink solution in Afghanistan, enabling better signal quality for the Afghani broadcasters, which previously used just a single carrier per channel (SCPC) to uplink their channels."

"Our East beam is now offering close to a hundred channels with about half of them in Dari and Farsi language. This is testament that Yahlive is rapidly becoming the satellite of choice for the Farsi and Dari speaking viewers," Simons added.



In order to meet increased demand from DTH broadcasters in Afghanistan requesting to be on the Yahlive Satellite TV and Radio Platform, the Middle East satellite operator has joined forces with SVS Satellite Systems and Alef Technology for the development of a Satellite Uplink Station.

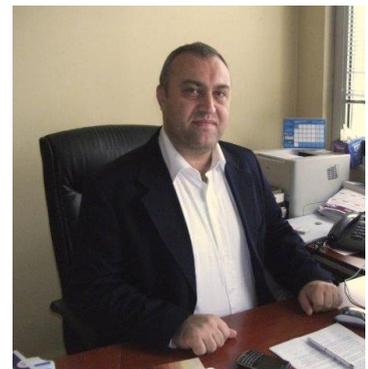
The DTH platform will be operated by Alef Technologies and will be broadcast via the Yahsat 1A satellite at 52.5 degrees east. The platform is to be designed and integrated by SVS and will be based in Kabul, Afghanistan.

According to a joint statement by the three firms involved, the platform will consist of a BSS RF and baseband system, supporting the transmission of SD and HD television channels over the Yahsat 1A satellite. The partnership has been formed in order to support Alef Technology in delivering uplink services for channels exclusively to Yahlive and boost the DTH platform services available to Yahlive from Afghanistan.

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*Abdullah Saglam , GM of SVS Telekom , said:*

*"I'm looking forward to our long-term collaboration with both Alef Technology and Yahlive, and to support their operations.*



*We are delighted to be able to strengthen and to continue supplying DTH earth stations in the Middle East for various satellite operators."*



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*Andrew Kaszubski , CEO of Alef Technology , said :*

*"Alef Technology have been at the forefront in data center and production services in Afghanistan for over 10 years*

*Aligned to our ambitions to improve the technological gateway and infrastructure in Afghanistan, our expansion plan for 2014-15 is focused on widening our offering with new products and solutions. The new teleport will enable us to offer existing and new customers enhanced services, complimenting Alef's current portfolio."*



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SVS Satellite Systems (SVS Telekomünikasyon Hizmetleri San. ve Tic. A.Ş.) was established in 1995 by an experienced team of satellite communications professionals. We now serve broadcasters, telecom companies, satellite operators, satcom system integrators and defense companies with mobile and fixed antennas, equipment, integrated solutions, and services.

SVS Satellite Systems offers complete turnkey solutions, engineering designs, maintenance and consultation on all types of communications systems. We carry data, voice, video over satellite. Our team of professionals has used its expertise to design and construct fixed and mobile earth stations worldwide. SVS Telekom engineers oversee every aspect of production and have the unique ability to fully integrate a satellite system before it is shipped to the customer's site. With well equipped lab facilities and more than 90 experienced people - most of them technical - our products, services and solutions are empowering the satcom market.