

Microsoft Announces Windows Mobile 6.5

February 17 2009, by John Messina



(PhysOrg.com) -- At the Mobile World Congress 2009 in Barcelona, Microsoft officially revealed the new Windows phones featuring new user-friendly software and services. The next generation of Windows phones will be based on Windows Mobile 6.5 and feature a new user interface and a richer browsing experience.

In addition to the new Windows phones, Microsoft will also be featuring two new services: **My Phone**, to sync text messages, photos, video and contacts to the Web and **Windows Marketplace for Mobile**. Marketplace will provide direct-to-phone mobile applications that can be controlled from both the phone and the Web.

Microsoft is currently working with partners across the industry to deliver a new generation of Windows phones that will provide consumers with information, and applications that will provide a greater

end-to-end experiences at work or at home.

In Windows Mobile 6.5 you will find a new home screen with customizable widgets that displays favorite Web services and lets users access them quickly with a finger tap along with faster and more efficient access to e-mail, phone messages and instant messaging. The improved touch-screen interface makes it easy to open applications and there is also an updated version of the latest Internet Explorer Mobile browser.

The free My Phone service enables users to access, manage and back up their personal information on their device to a password-protected Web-based service. This also makes it easier to upgrade your phone without losing important information.

Windows Marketplace for Mobile is an integrated marketplace for searching, browsing and purchasing mobile applications from Windows phones. The new marketplace will be found on Windows phones that incorporate Windows Mobile 6.5. Developers have already built more than 20,000 applications for Windows phones and will offer applications to customers through the marketplace via a simple security and compatibility check from Microsoft.

The new Windows phones are expected to be available the second half of 2009. If you would like additional information, you can visit [Microsoft Mobile World Congress Web Page](#).

© 2009 *PhysOrg.com*

This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is provided for information purposes only.