

Swiss Post and Swisscom team up with a joint network for the Internet of Things

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The two partners are focusing on a common network on which they plan to jointly develop applications that will be open to third parties. With the Low Power Network (LPN), transmitting battery powered information will be cost-effective and allow data to be quickly transmitted. The collaboration allows both companies to strengthen their position in the development and realisation of the Internet of

things.

The postal operator has developed and tested a wireless smart button used for reordering products that are running low in a hospital's medicinal cabinet at the touch of the button. Swisscom was one of the first providers in the world to implement a network on a national scale: the nationwide Low Power Network has been live since autumn 2016. The partnership with Swiss Post will speed up further expansion of the network. Ninety percent of the Swiss population will be covered by LPN by the end of 2017.

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