



FIME Press Pack

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About FIME

FIME is an independent global leader in consulting and integration testing services for smart devices and secure chip-based applications within the telecom, e-payment, transport, e-identity and logistic sectors. Its international team works with manufacturers, banks and authorities within these markets throughout the research and development lifecycle to provide expertise on sector requirements, functional and security features and industry regulation.

Since 1995, FIME has established global ISO 17025 accredited laboratories which provide official testing and certification services to validate a solution's compliance and security before launch. FIME's technical ability ensures a customer's solution is secure, interoperable and achieves the highest level of industry standardisation.

With over 200 employees and operating across America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, India and Asia, FIME has worked with leading international schemes such as American Express, First Data, JCB, MasterCard and Visa to bring pioneering and convenient chip-based services to end users.

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FIME Industry Accreditations

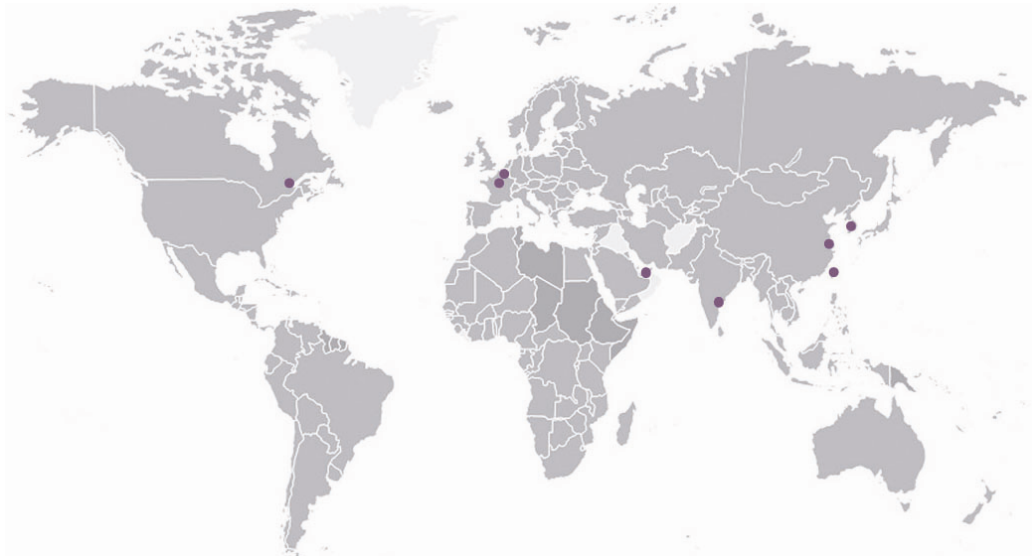


FIME Industry Outreach





Company Locations and Growth



2011	FIME opens its Dubai office.
2010	FIME undertakes global expansion with new office openings in Seoul – Korea, Shanghai – China, and Bangalore – India.
2008	AFSCM references FIME for the evaluation of Near Field Communication (NFC) applications.
2007	France Telecom acquires FIME to be positioned within its Orange Business Services. FIME America opens in Montreal, Canada.
2006	FIME launches engineer services to support contact and contactless application advancements.
2005	FIME releases testing products to support the e-ID and transport sectors. FIME launches services for banks and opens its Waterloo office
2002	FIME Asia test laboratory opens in Taipei, Taiwan.
1997	FIME Europe testing laboratory opens in Caen, France.
1995	FIME launched to undertake chip card memory testing for the mobile and payments sectors. France Telecom becomes FIME's first client.

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FIME Expertise

The following individuals are available to provide media comment:

Global



Pascal LE RAY – CEO of FIME

Oversees FIME operations at an international level.

Pascal Le Ray joined FIME in 2001 as Technical Director. Previously employed at Schlumberger Cartes et Systèmes (Gemalto) and GIE Cartes Bancaires, Pascal brings his technical smart card production and quality control experience to FIME. Under his leadership, FIME has achieved ISO 17025 accreditation, which recognises the expectation offering of its global laboratories.



Vincent POTY – Head of Strategy and Corporate Development

Responsible for FIME's strategy in new markets as part of Orange Business Services.

Vincent Poty joined FIME in 2002 to enhance its laboratory offering after working at Motorola in the smart card department. Vincent has led the international sales and marketing department at FIME, supporting the expansion of the FIME network through the opening of new offices, laboratories and the development of new services and products.

International

Frédéric SIMON – Director of FIME EMEA

Frédéric joined FIME in 2009. He has more than twelve years experience in sales, marketing and business development in the technology field. He manages FIME's operations and sales across the EMEA region.

Xavier GIANDOMINICI – Director of FIME America

After several years in Gemalto in Mexico as Sales Manager, Xavier joined FIME in 2007 as Business Development Manager.

Arnaud PENINON – Director of FIME Asia

Arnaud joined FIME after three years working for Valeo in France, China and the United States. He has developed FIME's EMV testing and consultancy business, constructing a multidisciplinary team of over 20 staff.

Prakash SAMBANDAM – Director FIME India

Prakash has over 16 years' experience in the IT domain, including software development, training and management. In 2010, he became the director of FIME India. He brings to FIME his extensive experience in mixing Asian and European cultures, allowing a better understanding of the needs of clients in the Indian marketplace.

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Latest Company News

FIME to provide Uzbekistan with e-Identity Testing Services

20 September 2011 - FIME has been selected by the Central Bank of Uzbekistan to supply its physical durability test tools for e-passports.

FIME Test Tool First to Achieve MasterCard® PayPass™ 3.0 Qualification for Contactless Terminal Testing

13 September 2011 - FIME has achieved MasterCard® PayPass™ 3.0 qualification for its EVAL Test Suite. The tool is the first on the market to be approved by MasterCard for PayPass 3.0, and can test contactless terminals designed to meet the payment system's latest specifications for accepting high value contactless transactions.

FIME to Certify Dual Interface Interac Flash™ Enabled Cards and Readers

29 July 2011 – FIME has achieved Interac Association accreditation to certify dual interface cards and readers. To date, FIME is the only laboratory to achieve dual interface certification agent status, which will support the mass market roll-out of *Interac* Flash, Canada's new contactless debit payment functionality. This feature is an enhancement of *Interac*® Debit and gives cardholders the ability to carry out point-of-sale (POS) debit transactions, using either the contact or contactless technology on their debit card for smaller value purchases.

FIME Test Tools and Laboratories Achieve GlobalPlatform Qualified Status

08 July 2011 – FIME has achieved GlobalPlatform qualified status for its test tool products and laboratory testing offerings. FIME is the first full service testing facility to receive the GlobalPlatform certification for both its tools and laboratory, which enables the company to test a card product's compliance to the GlobalPlatform UICC Configuration for the mobile sector.

FIME Becomes First Lab to Achieve EMVCo Accreditation for Contactless Card Specification v2.0.1

27 June 2011 – FIME is the first global laboratory and test tool provider for secure chip based applications, tokens and devices to achieve EMVCo Contactless Specification version 2.0.1 Level 1 accreditation. This allows FIME to use its qualified tool and laboratory expertise to certify the compliance of contactless card products to the requirements stipulated at level 1 in this EMVCo Specification.

FIME Plays a Key Role in the Valeo NFC Access System Project

20 June 2011 – FIME has contributed its expertise to a virtual car key access system using NFC technology launched by Valeo and Orange Business Services. The solution makes it possible to temporarily transfer an ignition key to a mobile handset, manage a booking system online and finally, open the car door and start a car using this mobile phone.

FIME and Barnes Launch Qualified MasterCard Card Personalisation Validation Tool

23 May 2011 – The first MasterCard® qualified test tool that meets its latest card personalisation validation (CPV) requirements has been brought to market by FIME and Barnes International in a joint initiative. The PersevalPRO Issuer test tool allows issuers to accurately and efficiently prepare for the MasterCard CPV certification process. This reduces a product's time to market by eliminating costly and time consuming issues arising during the final certification stage.

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