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NEC Computers reveals new notebook range with the launch of VERSA S970

NEC Computers has today (6 June 2006) announced the latest addition to its PC portfolio with the launch of the VERSA S970, part of the new look notebook range featuring Intel® Centrino Pro processor technology. An impressive product for the professional market, the S970 combines the best of design, quality and performance with guaranteed uniformity across the VERSA range.



The VERSA S970 brings together the latest Intel® Centrino™ Pro and Intel® Centrino® Duo processor technologies to provide increased security, administration and greater user productivity. Security is a key feature of the VERSA S970 with the availability of biometric features, whilst mobility is enabled with extended connection with WiFi 802.11n, Bluetooth and identical NEC ports.

The new range has been designed to provide top of the range security options, including a fingerprint reader, STOPTRACK enhanced design, TPM chip and a two-level BIOS password. It also incorporates the NEC Instant Recovery function which allows users to restore the system instantly in the event of an OS crash. In the battle against laptop theft, NEC also offers customers an option to engrave their logo directly onto the product casing.

In addition the notebook offers users impressive battery life through the innovative NEC ECO button. This features on the entire VERSA range and guarantees up to 9 hours* battery operation, when batteries up to 12 cells are added. It also allows the level of energy consumption to be reduced and provides an economy mode which cuts the processor frequency in half, while reducing the screen brightness.

Ideal for people on the move, the NEC VERSA S970 provides complete and extended connectivity. The WiFi 802 card provides a higher operating radius and better connection quality, thanks to the use of several antennae (MIMO technology). In addition, similar to all laptops in the NEC range, it has a Bluetooth function provided as an option, a 4-in-1 memory card reader, and 3 USB ports.

The lightweight VERSA, weighing only 2kg, offers users a 14" WXGA format ensuring NEC Computers is at the forefront of the mobile computing market by providing users with the comforts of a desktop computer, redefining how people work away from their desks.

Based on the Intel® Centrino® Pro processor technology, the VERSA S970 benefits from IAMT technology (*Intel Management Technology*), enabling businesses to carry out increasing numbers of remote maintenance and inventory operations. This can take place even while the PC is switched off, or used remotely through a WiFi network. This technology provides a major advance in stock management of laptop PCs. A large company with a central IT department and with numerous remote sites, or an IT reseller carrying out maintenance for its clients, will find it a reliable and efficient method in reducing the overall cost of ownership.

The NEC VERSA S970 incorporates a T7XXX series Intel® Core™2 Duo coupled with 4 Mb of cache memory. It can also carry 1 GB of Intel® Turbo Memory to enable fast start-up of Windows and the most frequently used applications. The Intel® GM965 chipset guarantees efficient multi-task operation and considerably increases the productivity of this laptop computer.

With DDRII memory and integrated hard drives up to 120 GB SATA-150, the NEC VERSA S970 will be available with Intel® Centrino® Pro processor technology from September 2007, for an extensive range of remote management capacities.

NEC also provides the option of the new NEC Port Replicator 3 with DVI-D to enable users to connect their high-end digital displays without compromising image quality.

Price and configuration:

Versa S970 - Screen 14.1" wide / resolution WXGA (1280x800)

Intel® Core™ 2 Duo T7100 processor

1 GB DDR2 RAM memory

SATA 120 GB 5,400 rpm hard disc

DVD+RW double layer recorder

WiFi Intel 802.11 a/g/n

Intel Turbo Memory 1GB

Bluetooth

Fingerprint reader

Li-on 6 cell battery

Microsoft Windows XP Professional SP2

1 year guarantee on-site pickup and return

Recommended retail price: 1299€ excl. VAT / £649 excl. VAT

* results supplied by the Business Winstone Battery Mark 2004 benchmark.

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About NEC Computers

As a subsidiary of the Japanese group Nec Corporation (NASDAQ:NIPNY), NEC Computers offers a wide and innovative range of IT solutions for infrastructures (servers, storage, software) and user platforms (Desktop PCs and Notebooks), as well as a large offer of professional services.

NEC Computers is present in the European, Middle Eastern, African and Latin American markets. Its technological and industrial site in Angers (France), unique in Europe, allows the conception and manufacture of customised solutions for businesses and institutions.

The Japanese group NEC, one of the world's leading providers of Computing, Networking and Electronic components, reached a \$39 billion turnover (fiscal year ended March 2007) with more than 150,000 employees worldwide.

As illustrated with the baseline "Empowered by Innovation", dedicating over 6.5% of its turnover to R&D, from bioplastics to high-performance calculators, NEC Corporation brings technological innovation straight to its clients.