## The Short Story of SDC Wrocław – Two Software Development Centers at the Oder River

Siemens Software Development Center was established in Wroclaw in the year 2000. As a part of Siemens' former Information and Communications Group, SDC was set up as one of many Siemens Research and Development centers in the world.

Back in 2000, SDC employed only 10 people working on customizing core mobile network software to customers' specific requirements. Since then, the task list has significantly expanded and SDC became a leading and one of the largest R&D centers in Poland as well as a major R&D unit within Siemens Communications branch. In 2005 SDC already employed over 700 people.

A year later, in October 2006 SDC was divided into two parts as a result of Siemens AG management's decision to merge Siemens' and Nokia's telecommunications businesses within Nokia Siemens Networks joint venture, what is planned for the first quarter of 2007. As a result of these decisions and as a preparatory step for the merger, a separate unit called Siemens Networks was established, comprising mobile networks, fixed networks and carrier services departments of the former Siemens Communications branch.

Thus Siemens Networks Software Development Center (Siemens Networks SDC) was carved out of SDC. Siemens Networks SDC employs currently 670 specialists and is a part of Siemens Networks Sp. z.o.o. It develops solutions and applications in the latest technologies: 3G Technology (HSDPA, HSUPA, UMTS), GSM, GPRS, IN Services, Wimax.

The part of Software Development Center which remained in Siemens Sp. z o.o. is now Siemens Development Center (SDC). SDC is a software house that provides complete software engineering services, application management and professional services for Siemens AG and Siemens Group companies. The Center continuously moves into new areas of activity and grows quickly. Siemens Development Center at the moment employs more than 250 people.