

Netvibes Splashes Down Stateside, Opens New Office in San Francisco

COO Freddy Mini to Helm U.S. office and Chris Damsen, former Senior Director of Business Development at Ask.com, joins as VP US Business Development

San Francisco, CA – February 12, 2007 — With the adoption by nearly 10 million users in just 15 months, Netvibes has established itself as a leader in super-personalized homepages. Along with offices in Paris, France and London, UK, Netvibes announces the opening of its San Francisco office to better serve the American audience and tighten its business partnership framework. Netvibes lets people assemble their Web favorites and services—including multiple social networks, email accounts, search engines, modules, RSS feeds and more—in one super-personalized Netvibes page. People no longer need to surf from site to site; they can now access their entire digital life—in all its variety—from their personal Netvibes page.

Founded in Paris, France by CEO Tariq Krim, who also founded GenerationMP3, France's largest blog network, Netvibes is backed by some of the Web's most experienced entrepreneurs and investors including Pierre Chappaz, Netvibes co-CEO and founder of Kelkoo and Wikio; Marc Andreessen, Netscape co-founder; and Martin Varsavsky, founder of FON. Venture Capital firms Accel Partners and Index Ventures have also invested in the company.

Netvibes grew out of Krim's desire to simplify and manage his own day-to-day digital life on the blogosphere. What began as a tool designed for GenerationMP3 employees, Krim started to make available to others in response to the escalating desire to gain control over how people experience the Internet. Netvibes gives people the tools and the place to customize their Web experience so that it includes exactly and only the things they want. People design "their web their way" and have it delivered directly to them in real time on their personal Netvibes page.

Netvibes has quickly gained an enthusiastic following of people from all walks of life, from politicians to schoolteachers, journalists to small-business owners, teenagers to grandparents. These users are from all over the world, in more than 150 countries, and have translated the Netvibes site into 60 languages including Chinese, Hindi, Russian and Klingon. They have also created more than 12,000 modules, feeds, podcasts and tabs to share with fellow Netvibes converts.

The opening of Netvibes' new office in San Francisco comes on the heels of winning the AlwaysOn Media 100 Top Private Companies award and being named by Business 2.0 as an innovative "Disruptor" to Web-portal giants Google, Yahoo and MSN. The company's U.S. operation will be led by COO Freddy Mini, an Internet industry veteran who spearheaded the creation of CNET Networks Europe. Chris Damsen, former Senior Director of Business Development at Ask.com, an IAC company, has joined as Vice President of U.S. Business Development.

"It's well known around the world that the gateway to the American technology and Internet scene is in the Bay Area/Silicon Valley. That, plus the fact that many of the companies with which we hope to partner are located here, made it an easy decision to open our U.S. office in San Francisco," said Netvibes CEO and founder Tariq Krim, "We're really looking forward

to participating in and contributing to the spirit of innovation and independence found in the Bay Area."

About Tariq Krim, co-CEO and Founder

Prior to Netvibes, Tariq founded GenerationMP3, developing it into the number one blog network in France. Tariq began his career in Silicon Valley where he reported Internet news during the dotcom era for the French newspaper *La Tribune*. Recently, Tariq's contributions to the Internet community were recognized when he was named one of the most influential persons in the French Web space.

About Freddy Mini, COO

Freddy's extensive professional experience in the Internet industry includes influential posts as Senior VP and Managing Director of CNET Networks Europe, where he was responsible for creating and building their operations to more than 200 people while exceeding all profitability goals, CEO of Ziff-Davis France, and most recently, co-founder of musicMe.com, the first music search service in the world.

About Chris Damsen, VP U.S. Business Development

During his six-year tenure as Senior Director of Business Development at Ask.com/IAC, Chris led its syndication division to more than \$200M in annual revenue. He also established key relationships with more than 100 partners including AOL, Google, Lycos, BellSouth, CNET, Apple, EarthLink, and InfoSpace.

About Netvibes

Netvibes pioneered the super-personalized homepage, an alternative to traditional Web portals. With users in more than 150 countries, Netvibes lets individuals assemble all in one place their favorite websites, blogs, email accounts, social networks, search engines, instant messengers, photos, videos, podcasts, widgets, and anything else they use on the Web. Founded in 2005, Netvibes (<http://www.netvibes.com>) has offices in Paris, London and San Francisco. Media contact: Vincent Chang, 415.977.1911, vincent@antennagroup.com

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