

Operators continuously strive to meet two goals while introducing customer-premises equipment (CPE). Firstly, they need to keep costs under control by streamlining the process of auto-configuring the CPE and by minimising manual configuration of newly connected devices. Secondly, they need to promote their brand recognition by making user experience match their corporate identity and public image.

Building upon its extensive experience, S&T Iskratel understands these specific – yet various – needs. As a standard, two programs are available for operators. The first, Innbox Constructor lets operators customise the feature-rich generic Innbox CPE software on their own, while the second, Turnkey Software on Demand allows customisation far beyond generic functionalities and user experience.

ZERO CONFIG, ZERO COSTS

Certain aspects of operators' lives can sometimes be a nightmare. Instead of being focused on customer needs and business objectives, they lose valuable time and resources only to have the devices at customer premises up and running.

Would it not be great if they could just deliver the CPE to customers, trusting its configuration will allow immediate, plug-and-play operation, provide the services instantly, and be accessible to the operator's management system the moment it is connected?

Proper initial configuration can result in significant operational savings: up to 40% for first activation, and up to 70% for issue resolution.

BRANDS MATTER

Without doubt, taking care of operators' brands improves customer recognition. Consistent appearance and care of details boost customer trust and loyalty.

The consistency is reflected in user experience with tools and apps that they use, and the impression the physical CPE design makes when following the graphical identity.

Operators' interests collide with similar goals of CPE vendors, which also strive to promote their brand, and avoid costs of modifications for individual operators (and maintenance thereof). As a result, many operators cannot afford the sometimes obscene costs that CPE vendors wish to charge.

TWO AVAILABLE PROGRAMS

Understanding the specific needs of operators, large and small, S&T Iskratel offers two programs for easy customisation of software, GUI and physical design.

- ▶ Innbox Constructor is an easy-touse web tool that lets operators customise Innbox CPE themselves.
- ▶ Turnkey SW on demand is a perproject endeavour of support and R&D teams that delivers complex customisations on any CPE.

Both programs provide plug-andplay CPE, instantly operational and manageable. No manual configuration is necessary once the devices are connected, reducing operators' costs dramatically.

WHY S&T ISKRATEL?

- ▶ Devotion, technical expertise and efficiency
- ▶ Commitment to meet objectives, deadlines, budgets
- ▶ Proven at more than 50 operators
- ▶ Decades of experience with CPE development
- ▶ Control over complete source code
- ► Safety of intellectual property

- ▶ Fully controlled end-to-end product-lifecycle process
- ► State-of-the-art agile development
- ► Proficiency with a multitude of chipsets, architectures, programming languages and protocols
- ▶ Multi-lingual support and presence in several time zones
- ▶ Strong and responsive support teams

INNBOX CONSTRUCTOR

The unique Innbox Constructor is a simple and intuitive do-it-yourself portal that lets operators prepare their own distribution and specific configuration autonomously.

Starting from the generic, featurerich Innbox software, the tool lets operator modify and customise:

- ► The default settings for subsequent plug-and-play operation;
- ▶ User rights and menu availability;
- Supported GUI language(s);
- ▶ Visuals such as colours and logo.

The web-based tool works directly on the target CPE, letting operators see the result immediately.

The whole process takes about an hour. The result is an USB key which automatically upgrades the CPE to

the customised configuration when inserted. Using the USB key (and its clones), a single person can upgrade 400-800 devices per day.

The CPE is operational immediately once delivered to the end users and connected. No subsequent configuration is required neither by end users nor by the operator, which reduces operating costs, the number of helpdesk calls and truck rolls.

TURNKEY SW ON DEMAND

Operators that require non-generic or complex adaptations are served with Turnkey SWoD. Performed on a per-project basis, services are provided, following operators' specific technical requirements.

► The project starts with preparing a plan, detailed study of specifica-

tions, a clear definition of objectives and the responsibility matrix.

- ▶ During the main phase, the SW is designed and developed, followed by optional integration and Q&A testing.
- ► Finally, knowledge is transferred to maintenance teams, and longterm support is optionally initiated.

Turnkey SWoD is applicable either for Iskratel Innbox CPE or for third-party CPE.

The project may include a range of services (in addition to the R&D), such as maintenance, support, SLA, testing, training, and integration.

Customisation of physical design is also available, assisting operators in brand promotion, and supporting a consistent user experience.

Project approach
Targeted customers

CPE hardware
Main tool
Prerequisites
Warranty
SLA level
Integration

Testing, in lab or onsite Training, in lab or onsite

Tech support, remote or onsite Site survey

Tier-2/3 operators

Iskratel Innbox CPE
Web portal
None
Included
Basic, Plus, or Premium
Not applicable
Not applicable
Not applicable
Not applicable

Innbox Constructor

Predetermined

Not applicable

Turnkey SWoD
On per-project basis

Tier-1/2 operators, CPE vendors, ODMs

ODMs

Iskratel Innbox CPE or third-party

Project plan

Clear technical requirements

Included

Basic, Plus, or Premium

On per-project basis

As per pricelist

As per pricelist (SSB1701-1711) As per pricelist (SSB1547)

As per pricelist (SSB1545)



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