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Adobe Intros the Latest Flash Player for Mobiles

Allowing you to really surf the web

The Flash Player logo! Adobe

You know, one of the things that mobile phones cannot handle very well has always been the displaying of Flash-based media when the user is browsing websites. Of course, that's not mobile phone-only, some smartbooks and netbooks, as well as other Internet-ready devices share the same problem as your average smartphone. But not anymore, since starting with 2010, we'll be seeing the new Flash Player 10.1 going mainstream.

"With Flash Player moving to new mobile platforms, users will be able to experience virtually all Flash technology based Web content and applications wherever they are," said David Wadhwani, general manager and vice president, Platform Business Unit at Adobe. "We are excited about the broad collaboration of close to 50 industry leaders in the Open Screen Project and the ongoing collaboration with 19 out of the top 20 handset manufacturers worldwide. It will be great to see first devices ship with full Flash Player in the first half of next year."

Taking advantage of HTT streaming and integrating Adobe Flash Access 2.0 content protection, this new browser-based runtime from Adobe Systems Incorporated will take advantage of the mobile devices' GPU (graphics processing unit) in order to accelerate graphics and video, thus consuming a lot less power and resources.

I'll leave the ending in the capable hands of Stephanie Ferguson, general manager, Product Management, Microsoft Corp, "Adobe Flash technology provides a key experience on new Windows phones, enabling people to enjoy rich Flash based games, videos and other interactive Web content on the go. […] We look forward to bringing in the new capabilities of Adobe Flash Player 10.1 to the Windows phone browser when it becomes available."

I am pretty sure we haven't heard the last of Adobe for today, so stay tuned for more interesting news regarding the world of Flash.

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