



Press release

## **Vivago and Innohome are about to launch the first safety concept for the elderly that is based on physiological signals**

Two Finnish companies Vivago and Innohome have signed a cooperation agreement. The purpose of this cooperation is to increase the safety at home and thus enabling a person to stay at home for longer. Both companies have special expertise in automatic alarms, which are based on detecting abnormalities in human action.

“ A sense of security is a key element when enabling a person to stay at home as long as possible instead of moving to a care facility. The sense of security directly affects a persons activity and capability. Vivago can help to increase the elderly’s peace of mind. Vivago’s watch learns its user’s normal behaviour and based on that it’s able to call automatically for help if it recognizes a sudden change in its user’s wellbeing, for example if the person goes unconscious”, says Vivago’s CEO Katja Kääriä. “Vivago fulfils the requirements of a traditional care phone but provides more comprehensive safety even in unpredictable situations. Additionally Vivago informs the carers if the overall wellbeing deteriorated during a longer time period.

“More than half of house fires at home start in the kitchen. Innohomes fire safety systems help to prevent a significant number of house fires”, continues Innohome’s CEO Pertti Haavisto. “ Innohome’s products use also the information of Vivago’s watch. For example when an automatic alarm is triggered, caused by for example unconsciousness, Innohome’s guard can switch off dangerous appliances. In addition the guard detects independently incidents if it recognizes a potential hazard, for example if the cooker is over heating and switches it off automatically.

Together Vivago and Innohome bring a new kind of safety concept to the market, which enables elderly to feel safe in their own home. The solution can be used to prevent threatening incidents and information about this will be sent to the chosen party. The partnership provides a cost-effective and easy-installable option to existing smart home solutions.

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**Innohome** is a Finnish company. Founded in 2005 to develop intelligent solutions for kitchen safety. Innohome is the market leader of cooker safety products in Nordic countries and our cooker safety devices have been installed in over 60 000 locations around Northern Europe and Great Britain. Innohome is also at the forefront of preventing other household appliance fires, as well as water leak damage. Our patented technology is able to identify user errors and faults in the early

phases of a potentially hazardous situation, preventing fires and leaks before they can occur.

Innohome devices can be used anywhere in the world. Currently, around 90% of our products are exported

**Vivago** is a pioneer in personal health care technology and provides smart safety and well-being solutions. Vivago was established in 1994 to develop, sell, and market automatic safety solutions that can also monitor well-being and functional ability. Vivago provides safety solutions for the whole care chain. All our products are designed and made in Finland.

Vivago's solutions are based on patented technology, which allows us to offer unique solutions for custom needs. Our solutions can cover nurse call systems, automatic alarm systems, wandering detection and continuous well-being monitoring. Today there are over 60 000 Vivago users in the world.