

InterAcademy Panel International Workshop
Dakar, Senegal

**Promoting Access and Capacity Building
For Scientific Information Resources and
ICT Infrastructure in Developing Countries**

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**SMART Region/GUAM Region
International Collaboration Program**

E-SCIENCE INITIATIVE

*Fostering International Collaboration
Between Researchers And Scientists
Through Information And Communications Technology*

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- A unique broad-based initiative designed to facilitate relationships, exchanges, and business opportunities, foster collaboration, and further economic development.
- A Public/Private Partnership with industry, government, and civil society.
- Facilitating economic development through information and communications technology

Important Factors for ICT

- Affordability
- Sustainability
- Universal Access

Omni Communications, Inc.

- Providing telecommunications infrastructure to emerging markets around the world
- A. U.S.-based company developing a communications hub in Azerbaijan to facilitate collaboration between the United States and Central Asia.

CATEL

- CDMA Operator in Azerbaijan
- Joint Venture with the Government of Azerbaijan.
- Providing affordable telephone and high-speed internet service with CDMA 3G technology.

BBOT



- Provides Satellite Facilities
- Infrastructure to deliver global programs and services
- Gateway for e-Content in areas including e-Education, e-Health, e-Government, and e-Science

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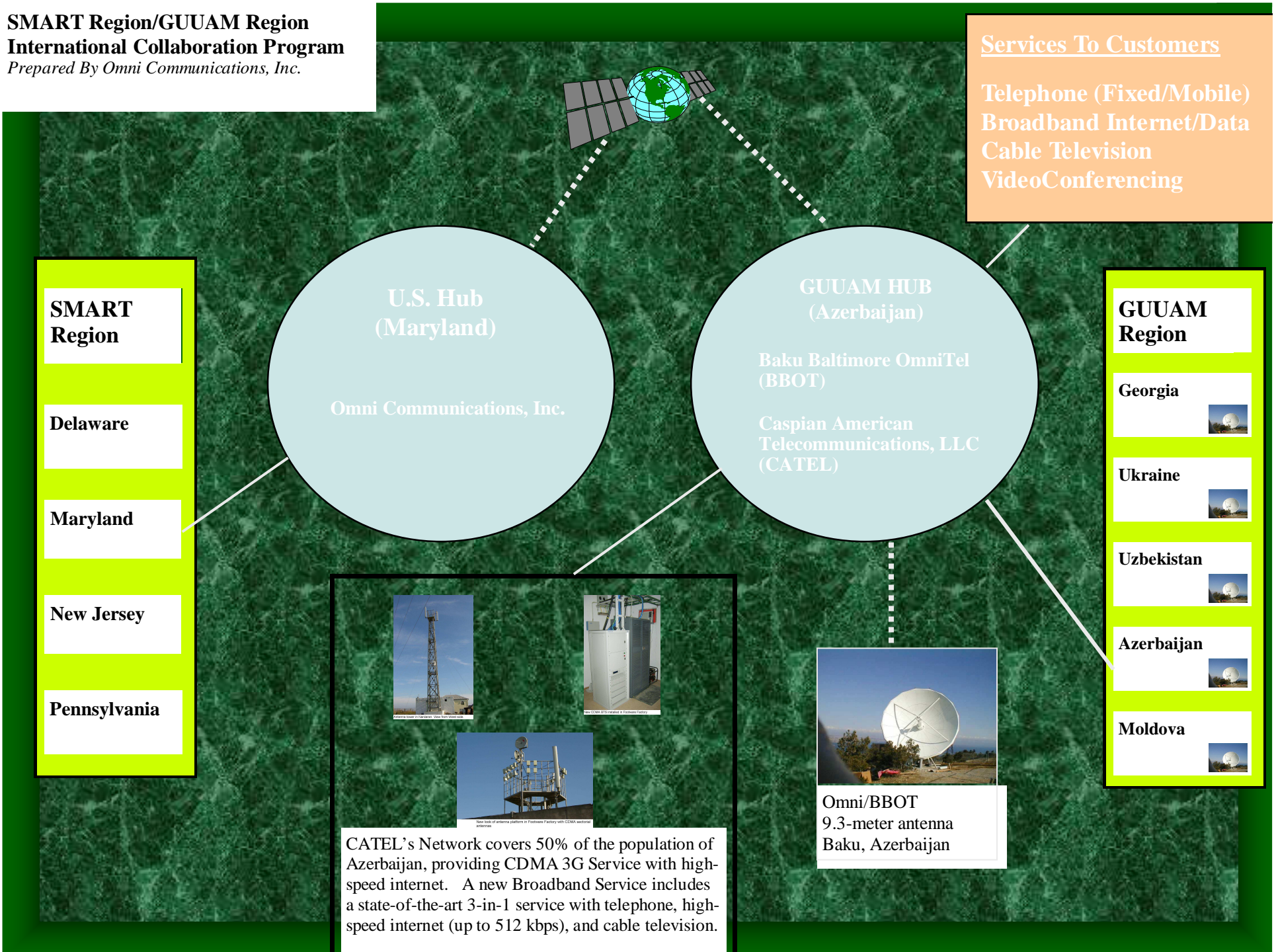
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- Projects & Infrastructure Development**
 Agribusiness ♦ Civil Society ♦ Construction ♦ Defense & Security ♦ Education
 Energy ♦ Environment ♦ Healthcare ♦ Humanitarian Assistance ♦ IT ♦ Power
 Tourism & Trade Development ♦ Training & Technical Assistance ♦ Transportation

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SMART Region/GUAM Region E-Science Initiative

- Pilot Project
- Phase I
- Phase II
- Other Opportunities

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