

A new consortium proposes manufacturers start using its specification for the connection of mobile devices to HDTVs-- MHL (mobile high-definition link).

Optimised for mobile devices, the proposed connection uses an inexpensive thin cable with a 5-pin interface, using established connectors. It should support up to 1080p HD video and digital audio while also powering up the connected mobile device. Users will also be able to control MHL-enabled mobile devices through a MHL-enabled HDTV's remote.

Demnostrated at February's Mobile World Congress 2011, the standard's promoters includes Nokia, Samsung, Silicon Image, Sony and Toshiba. The MHL consortium is also looking for companies wanting to become adopters.

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