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Mr. Luis G. Romero-Font

President & CEO, Optivon, Inc.

Mr. Romero's telecommunications experience started as a teenager when he worked as a PBX installer with a contractor to the Puerto Rico Telephone Company (now a Claro subsidiary). He obtained a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Management degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Quantitative Management from the University of Florida in 1974.

By the end of 1977, he started Codecom, Inc. where he supervised the sales implementation, and service of large telecommunications networks throughout the Caribbean. In 1986 Mr. Romero Font started Codecom Rural Communications, Inc., a company dedicated to the design, manufacture and sale of fixed cellular telephone systems. Codecom Rural Communications merged with Telular Corp., and subsequently issued an initial public offering of its stock (Nasdaq: WRLS). In 1988 Mr. Romero Font started another company, Celpage, Inc., which grew to be one of the largest paging companies in Latin America. In 2004, the company changed its name to Optivon, Inc. and now provides telecommunications and Internet based services to carriers, mid and large businesses.

His philanthropic activities have included serving as a director and member of its executive committee at Fondos Unidos de Puerto Rico (United Way) and as a member of the Alexis de Tocqueville Society. He is currently an associate professor of entrepreneurship at the School of Business Administration of the University of Puerto Rico. As a consequence of a personal tragedy, Mr. Romero launched recently a foundation called BastaYaPR, Inc focused on the reduction of violence in Puerto Rico. He is currently a member of the Puerto Rico Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCOR) State Committee and the steering committee of the nanotechnology institute. He has received recognitions by business and community service organizations and has been a lecturer at various communications symposiums in various countries.