A wi-fi network community



Project author or developer:

Fon

Where:

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Website: corp.fon.com

Fon (ARGENTINA/UK) is the world's first global WiFi network built by people. It's a crowdsourced WiFi. As a member of the Fon community, everybody agrees to share a little bit of his or her WiFi at home, and get free roaming at Fon Spots worldwide in return. Sharing WiFi with Fon is safe and secure because Fon only uses a tiny portion of the bandwidth through the device "fonera―. Fon was founded by Martin Varsavsky, a serial entrepreneur and internet pioneer in 2006, with the goal of free, ubiquitous WiFi for everyone. Today, Fon is the largest WiFi community in the world, with over 4 million Fon WiFi spots and over 6 million users. Fon partners with the world's leading broadband providers, hardware manufacturers and Telco operators to offer Fon-ready products and services. Fon's partners include Belgacom, BT, Comstar-UTS Russia, Oi Brazil, Netia Poland, SFR France, SoftBank Japan and ZON Portugal. Fon's investors include Atomico, British Telecom, the Coral Group, Google, Index Ventures and Sequoia Capital and Skype.

