Moovit to Provide Public Transit Data for Microsoft Azure Maps

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Moovit, the world’s largest urban mobility data and analytics company and #1 transit app, today announced it will integrate its public transit information to Azure Maps to help developers build richer apps for billions of commuters around the world. As part of the collaboration, Moovit will run its public transit data and services APIs on Microsoft Azure and will gradually migrate its other products to Microsoft Azure. Microsoft can also integrate Moovit’s public transit data in its first party applications and services. For instance, Azure Maps could provide proactive notification by Microsoft Cortana about a person’s commute by providing real-time transit information.

Moovit is an early pioneer of Mobility as a Service (MaaS) and the developer of a free public transit app with more than 300 million registered users in over 2,600 cities in 85 countries. Moovit amasses four billion anonymous data points a day to add to the world’s largest repository of transit data. The data gathering is aided by Moovit’s network of more than 450,000 local editors called “Mooviters.” These passionate users help map and maintain local transit information in cities that would otherwise be unserved.

Azure Maps is a simple and secure set of location APIs providing geospatial context to data through maps, search, routing, traffic and time zone capabilities that integrate seamlessly with other Azure tools and services. Microsoft Azure will integrate Moovit’s transit API data and services to provide Azure customers some of the most accurate public transit data in the world.

Integrating Moovit’s transit data into Azure Maps will help developers build richer apps using public transit. Information provided will include A-to-B trip planning, nearby stations, stops and lines with multimodal options. Transit line information like scheduled and real-time transit arrivals, list of stops and route guides will also be included, as well as detailed and multimodal step-by-step itineraries, service alerts and transit maps.

“Moovit’s top quality transit data and world-leading multi-modality services perfectly fit in to the Microsoft Azure Maps portfolio of offerings for app developers,” said Moovit Co-Founder and CEO Nir Erez. “We’re delighted to work with a world class company like Microsoft and integrate our rich transit APIs into Azure Maps so developers can build greater apps for people who ride transit everywhere.” Erez concluded.
“Developers and customers alike have been asking for a comprehensive mapping solution that brings together location awareness with public transit data to provide a full picture,” said Tara Prakriya, Group Program Management for Azure Maps and Connected Vehicles, Microsoft. “By offering location awareness with public transit data on Microsoft Azure Maps, developers not only can create more sophisticated and smarter, real-time location-based apps, but our cloud customers across a variety of industries like automotive, public sector, manufacturing and healthcare will be able to leverage this data to continue to improve how people get around and get access to services globally. Microsoft is committed to helping industries figure out the best option for each and every mile along the paths to help their employees, customers and field services resources. Moovit’s world-leading coverage will allow Azure to provide its customers with the most comprehensive and accurate transit data services,” Prakriya concluded.

About Moovit
Moovit (www.moovit.com) is the world’s largest urban mobility data and analytics company and the #1 transit app. Moovit simplifies your urban mobility all around the world, making getting around town via transit easier and more convenient. By combining information from public transit operators and authorities with live information from the user community, Moovit offers travelers a real-time picture, including the best route for the journey. Named Best Local App by Google in 2016 and one of Apple’s Best Apps of 2017, Moovit launched in 2012 and now has 300 million users.

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Moovit is an early pioneer of Mobility as a Service (MaaS). The company helps people change the way they consume mobility by fully integrating other forms of transport, such as local bicycle services, into its app. In 2017 Moovit launched its suite of Mobility as a Service solutions to help cities, governments and transit operators improve urban mobility in their cities.

Moovit is available for free on iOS, Android and the Web in more than 2,600 cities, across 85 countries, and can be used in 44 languages. More than 100 cities and global events, including Rio de Janeiro for the 2016 Olympics, have made Moovit their official transit app.

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