

Prebid Mobile Overview

Prebid Mobile is Prebid's SDK Header-Bidding Solution. Learn how you can increase demand and improve your revenue with little lift.



Back to the Basics: What is Header Bidding?

In a traditional waterfall, the auction takes place with a bidding hierarchy on the ad server. Because bidding happens in order, advertisers further down the waterfall (who might have been willing to bid higher than the winning bid) don't get a chance to bid at all.

The publisher misses out on this revenue potential, and the marketer misses out on the placement.

Header bidding offers a more fair alternative.

Header bidding is a real-time pre-auction that enables multiple ad exchanges to bid on the same inventory simultaneously. The highest bid wins.

Prebid is an open source header-bidding solution. Designed for mobile app publishers, Prebid Mobile's open-source library offers an end-to-end alternative to the classic waterfall.



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Prebid SDK offers publishers an opportunity to connect with many demand sources using light-weight adapters, rather than juggling multiple SDKs.

By downloading Prebid SDK, publishers can **centralize all demand sources**, and tap into new demand using adapters.

This helps lessen manual workloads, app weight, and latency issues. Plus, bids compete directly with your primary ad server, boosting competition – and eCPMs.

At Smaato, we offer a **Prebid Server Adapter**. Simply connect our mobile adapter to any Prebid-hosted server to access our unique demand sources.

Why Prebid Mobile?

Prebid Mobile offers key advantages for both publishers and marketers. These include:

A Level Playing Field

Prebid creates a fair auction, with equal access and opportunity, giving marketers a fair first look.

Higher Revenue

Increased competition means higher eCPMs, boosting publisher's profits by up to 20%.

Easy Integration

Get started in 30 minutes or less. Prebid Mobile's iOS and Android SDKs are easy to integrate and lightweight: 3.5MB and 2.9MB respectively.

Centralized Demand

For publishers, integrating with Prebid SDK means access to unique demand from Smaato, as well as other ad exchange demand partners.

Server-Side Management

With server-side configuration, Prebid Mobile lightens the lift, eliminating the need for updates.

Reduced Latency

Prebid offers complexity reduction by simplifying the number of standalone integrations. Less weight = lower latency.

Use Case

In March 2021, one of our publishers — an entertainment app featured user generated content with 10+ million users — decided to test out Prebid Mobile. We'll call them Publisher X.

Publisher X wanted to test out different header-bidding solutions. Like many other publishers, they wanted to help address latency issues, increase revenue, and reduce line items. Instead of managing multiple waterfalls, the Prebid header-bidding solution would offer a smart alternative.

After downloading the Prebid SDK, Publisher X easily connected to Smaato's demand via the Smaato Prebid Adapter. In just a matter of days, they began to see results.



Publisher X saw a **21% increase** in revenue in less than a month, and a **17% increase in eCPMs from Smaato Alone**.

There was purely additional revenue for Publisher X – the Prebid Mobile SDK did not cannibalize their other monetization channels.

For publishers looking to reduce latency, centralize demand, and increase revenue, Prebid Mobile and Smaato's Prebid Adapter offer a promising opportunity. Plus, Smaato's adapters are compatible with all Prebid-hosted servers.

Download Prebid SDK

To get started, download Prebid's SDK. There are a few options for integration, and Prebid makes it easy to download for both iOS and Android. [Get Started](#).