

TIM PARTICIPACOES SA  
Form 6-K  
July 20, 2012

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 6-K**

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**For the month of July, 2012**  
**Commission File Number 001-14491**

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**TIM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**TIM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.**  
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**Av. das Américas, 3434, Bloco 1, 7º andar Parte**  
**22640-102 Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil**  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.  
Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby  
furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

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**TIM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.**  
**Public-Held Company**  
**CNPJ/MF N° 02.558.115/0001-21**  
**NIRE 33 300 276 963**

**MATERIAL FACT**

TIM Participações S.A. ("Company") (BOVESPA: TIMP3, and NYSE: TSU), hereby discloses that, according to the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 14th, 2012, the Board of Directors met today and approved the indication for election of **Mr. Andrea Mangoni** to the position of Chief Executive Officer of TIM Celular S.A., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

Mr. Andrea Mangoni accumulates the position of Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Telecom Italia S.p.A., indirect controlling shareholder of the Company.

Rio de Janeiro, July 19th, 2012.

Rogério Tostes  
Investor Relations Officer

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

TIM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.

Date: July 20, 2012

By: /s/ Rogério Tostes

Name: Rogério Tostes

Title: IRO

**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

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