



## **Harris Stratex Networks Participates in First Public Mobile Backhaul Interoperability Showcase at MPLS and Ethernet World Congress 2008**

**Research Triangle Park, NC, February 4, 2008** - Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSTX), the leading independent supplier of turnkey wireless transmission solutions—including wireless Carrier Ethernet—today announced its participation in the first public multi-vendor Mobile Backhaul Interoperability showcase. The event will be held at the upcoming MPLS and Ethernet World Congress in Paris, 5-8 February, 2008 at the Marriott Paris Rive Gauche.

The showcase is organized by the European Advanced Networking Test Center (EANTC) and supported by both the IP/MPLS Forum and the Metro Ethernet Forum (MEF). The demonstrations will showcase how traffic from a Radio Access Network (RAN) can be carried over Metro Ethernet and an IP/MPLS Core, giving operators a migration path from current TDM backhaul to new Ethernet and IP/MPLS architectures that are flexible, scalable and economical. Real mobile services based on GSM and WCDMA will be demonstrated, in a live network using both fixed and wireless transport technologies. Harris Stratex will be participating in this event using the Eclipse™ Carrier Ethernet over Wireless (CEoW™) platform to provide resilient, high-speed GigE connections in various network applications, including demonstrating interoperability in the MPLS, T-MPLS and PBB-TE metro areas of the network.

“We are very pleased to take part in the EANTC Mobile Backhaul Interoperability testing,” said Paul Kennard, chief technology officer, Harris Stratex Networks. “Harris Stratex has been able to lead the market in wireless transport systems for large-scale, multiservice Ethernet networks, including next-generation mobile and WiMAX networks. We have taken a leadership role in developing Mobile Backhaul interest within the MEF ensuring that our Eclipse Carrier Ethernet over wireless solutions are interoperable with other transport media and technologies. We believe we are well positioned to address this emerging market and make it a significant part of our future company growth.”

Harris Stratex Networks’ Eclipse solution supports the industry’s highest level of built-in intelligence for Carrier Ethernet over Wireless transport. Eclipse delivers the essential Layer 2 functions required to enable smooth migration from TDM today to reliable, high-quality next-generation Carrier Ethernet networks tomorrow. In September 2007 the Metro Ethernet Forum certified Eclipse to MEF standards 9 and 14 through its comprehensive program to provide service-level benchmarks for equipment and service provider performance in complex Ethernet-based networks.

White papers with detailed findings, and an overview of the IP/MPLS Mobile Backhaul solution, are available for download from [http://www.eantc.com/mobile\\_backhaul](http://www.eantc.com/mobile_backhaul), and from [www.harrisstratex.com](http://www.harrisstratex.com).

Visit Harris Stratex at the MPLS and Ethernet World Congress in booth #118.

### **About Harris Stratex Networks, Inc.**

Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. is the world's leading independent supplier of turnkey wireless transmission solutions. The company offers reliable, flexible and scalable wireless network solutions, backed by comprehensive professional services and support. Harris Stratex Networks serves all global markets, including mobile network operators, public safety agencies, private network operators, utility and transportation companies, government agencies and broadcasters. Customers in more than 135 countries depend on Harris Stratex Networks to build, expand and upgrade their voice, data and video solutions. Harris Stratex Networks is recognized around the world for innovative, best-in-class wireless networking solutions and services. For more information, visit [www.HarrisStratex.com](http://www.HarrisStratex.com).

### **About EANTC**

The European Advanced Networking Test Center (EANTC) offers vendor-neutral consultancy and test facilities for network equipment manufacturers, service providers and enterprise customers. Primary business areas include interoperability, conformance, and performance testing for IP/MPLS, Carrier Ethernet and Triple Play technologies and applications. For more information contact Carsten Rossenhövel, Managing Director, at +49 30 31 805 950 or via e-mail at [cross@eantc.com](mailto:cross@eantc.com).

### **About the IP/MPLS Forum**

The IP / MPLS Forum is an international, industry-wide, non-profit association of service providers, equipment vendors and enterprise users. The focus of the Forum is to drive global adoption of IP/MPLS based technology, networks, services and solutions. The Forum is driving the convergence of ATM, Frame Relay and IP/MPLS technologies in the global telecom industry through implementation agreements educational and marketing resources and programs as well as interoperability initiatives. For Forum membership information please contact Alexa Morris, Executive Director, at (510) 492-4057 or via e-mail at [amorris@ipmplsforum.org](mailto:amorris@ipmplsforum.org). Additional information about IP / MPLS Forum is available online at <http://www.ipmplsforum.org>.

**About the MEF**

The MEF is a global industry alliance comprising more than 135 organizations including telecommunications service providers, cable MSOs, network equipment/software manufacturers, semiconductor vendors and testing organizations. The MEF's mission is to accelerate the worldwide adoption of Carrier-class Ethernet networks and services. The MEF develops Carrier Ethernet technical specifications and implementation agreements to promote interoperability and deployment of Carrier Ethernet worldwide. For more information about the Forum, including a complete listing of all current MEF members, please visit the MEF web site at <http://www.MetroEthernetForum.org/>.

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