

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Metro Ethernet Equipment Design Challenges are Focus of Linley Tech Seminar**

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA—February 28, 2007—On March 13, The Linley Group will present a Linley Tech seminar on "Metro Ethernet Equipment Design." This event brings together top technologists and industry leaders focused on solutions in the design of Ethernet aggregation, Ethernet access, and Ethernet-over-Sonet/SDH equipment. Leading chip vendors will discuss Metro Ethernet applications and how their products can be used to enhance new designs.

Bob Wheeler, senior analyst at The Linley Group, will provide an overview of Metro Ethernet design trends followed by sessions that address each of these key areas: Control-Plane CPUs, Ethernet Access Platform Design, and Metro Ethernet Packet Processing. The day's closing panel will delve into the challenges associated with next-generation Metro equipment designs including Carrier Ethernet Switch/Routers, multiservice provisioning platforms, and hybrid architectures.

You won't want to miss this outstanding lineup of presenters, including:

- Raghib Hussain, VP of Software Engineering & CTO, Cavium Networks, will speak on "Services Management Using OCTEON Multi-core MIPS64 Processors."
- Rich Schnur, PowerQUICC Solution Architect, Freescale, will present "Addressing Metro Ethernet Requirements with Next-Generation PowerQUICC Technology."
- Dimitry Vaysburg, Solutions Marketing Manager, AMCC, will speak on "Mid-Band Ethernet: Delivering Enterprise-Class Services."
- Sid Yenamandra, Director of Ethernet and SONET/SDH Product Line, Exar, will present "A Metro Access Platform for SONET/SDH and RPR."
- Nick Possley, Senior Staff System Architect, Xilinx, will present "The Benefits of FPGA-Based Packet Classification."
- Amir Eyal, VP Business Development, EZchip, will speak on "Flexible Packet Processing in Metro Ethernet Switches."
- John Harrsen, Applications Manager, Bay Microsystems, will present "Addressing the QoS Challenges of High-Performance Metro Ethernet Switches."
- Mike Lardner, Consulting Engineer, Lightstorm Networks, will speak on "Configurable Silicon Solutions for Carrier Ethernet."
- Thomas Eklund, VP of Business Development, Xelerated, will present "Complete Hardware/Software Solutions for a Metro Ethernet Product Portfolio."

Following the seminar will be a reception providing the opportunity for attendees to meet with industry leaders, distinguished speakers, analysts, designers, and their colleagues.



We'll also be giving away an iPod Nano, as well as a copy of The Linley Group's report, "A Guide to Metro Network Processors."

Admission is free to qualified individuals who register by March 8. The seminar is intended for system designers, network-equipment vendors, OEMs, service providers, carriers, press, and the financial community. The seminar will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel in San Jose. This event is sponsored by Freescale, AMCC, Xilinx, EZchip, Exar, Xelerated, Bay Microsystems, Lightstorm Networks, and The Linley Group.

For further details and registration information, visit The Linley Group web site: <http://www.linleygroup.com/seminars.html>

### **About The Linley Group**

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