



IMTC Announces Open Call for Participation in Interoperability testing of Telepresence Interoperability Protocol (TIP).

IMTC SuperOp! 2011, including TIP interoperability testing, to take place Kona, HI May 16-20

San Ramon (CA) March 1, 2011 – International Multimedia Telecommunications Consortium (IMTC) today announced that interoperability testing of Telepresence Interoperability Protocol (TIP) will be one of the key focus areas during their flagship SuperOp! 2011 interoperability testing event in Kona, HI, May 16-20. IMTC invites all interested parties to participate in this engineering test event. Registration information may be found at the IMTC website, www.imtc.org.

“For more than 13 years, SuperOp! and numerous other interoperability testing events provide the telecommunications industry with a vehicle to overcome technology and interoperability barriers that hinder widespread adoption of real-time video communication products and services,” said Anatoli Levine, President of IMTC and Director of Product Management for RADVISION. “It is very exciting to see that such interoperability testing events now span from Telepresence systems all the way to 3G and 4G devices and services, helping to increase market adoption of innovative video-communication technologies.”

“Cisco is pleased to work with other companies in testing interoperability with IMTC’s openly available, Telepresence Interoperability Protocol,” said David Benham, Director of Engineering, Cisco Systems. “Events like SuperOp! help assure interoperability and improve overall market acceptance of Telepresence systems and services.”

"Huawei thanks IMTC for including Telepresence Interoperability Protocol (TIP) testing in the SuperOP! 2011. Huawei has already delivered about 500 Telepresence systems to our customers, and we are pleased to participate in this event to assure interoperability and protect our customers’ investment,” said Jun Li, Director of Video Solution’s, Huawei Technologies. "We will take every opportunity to improve the interoperability of Telepresence and bring more value to our customers."

Access to IMTC interoperability testing events is available to all IMTC member companies, and invited non-member companies who can contribute to the interop testing activities. IMTC member companies participate in ongoing development of the interoperability testing plans and specifications, organize and conduct face-to-face and virtual interoperability testing events on the regular basis, and provide feedback for improvements to national and international standardization bodies like ITU-T, 3GPP, IETF, GSMA and others, and discuss implementation issues with other members on an informal and formal basis.

TIP is now available from IMTC under a royalty-free license, making it easier to achieve multi-screen interoperability between Telepresence equipment providers. The protocol documentation and license is now available for download at IMTC TIP developer [web page](#). The TIP Library is also available and offered under the [Apache 2.0 open source license](#). IMTC encourages programmers to get involved in making improvements or upgrades to code at [Sourceforge](#).

About the International Multimedia Telecommunications Consortium (IMTC)

The IMTC is an industry-leading, non-profit organization whose mission is to promote and facilitate the development and use of interoperable, real-time, multimedia telecommunication products and services based on open international standards. The IMTC hosts interoperability testing events and demonstrations throughout the world. IMTC has hosted more than 50 such events to test SIP, IMS, VoLTE, H.323, 3G-324M, 3G-PSS, Nat/Firewall Traversal, T.120, H.320, and other Voice over IP products and services with each other. The IMTC Board of Directors includes representatives from AT&T, Cisco Systems, Ericsson, HP, Huawei, LifeSize Communications, Nokia, Polycom, RADVISION and Vidyo. The San Ramon, California-based consortium comprises approximately 40 member organizations from around the globe. Membership is open to any interested party, including vendors of audio, document, and video conferencing hardware and software; academic institutions; government agencies; and non-profit organizations. "The IMTC is making Rich Media happen Anywhere, Anytime." Further information on IMTC can be found at <http://www.imtc.org>.

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