IMTC Takes Ownership of Telepresence Interoperability Protocol (TIP).

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San Ramon(CA) September 28, 2010 – International Multimedia Telecommunications Consortium (IMTC) today announced that it has completed the transfer of Telepresence Interoperability Protocol (TIP) from Cisco Systems Inc and has established a TIP Activity Group.

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. IMTC has taken ownership of further development of TIP protocol and will include TIP testing in IMTC SuperOp! events.   To coordinate those activities, IMTC has established a new TIP Activity Group. Membership of this Activity Group is open to all IMTC members.

"This announcement marks an important milestone in the advancement of the video industry toward enabling the full interoperability that customers are asking for," said Alan Benway, Executive Director, Product Marketing Management at AT&T. "We look forward to working closely with the IMTC to advance the technology to meet customer needs."

The TIP Library open source project was also transferred to IMTC, software which can be used to help speed the integration of TIP into your product or system. The TIP Library is offered under the Apache 2.0 open source license and IMTC encourages programmers to get involved in making improvements or upgrades to code at Sourceforge.

The TIP (Version 6 and Version 7) specifications are also available via IMTC now. These protocol specifications describe how to multiplex multiple screens, multiple audio streams, and an auxiliary-data screen into respective Real-Time Transport Protocol (RTP) flows using a multiplexing technique. More information on TIP and free download is available at: http://www.imtc.org/tip/

About t**he 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 20 such events to test H.323, 3G-324M, 3G-PSS, SIP, Nat/Firewall Traversal, T.120, H .320, and Voice over IP products and services with each other. The IMTC Board of Directors includes representatives from AT&T, Cisco Systems, Dilithium Networks, Ericsson, LifeSize Communications, Nokia, Polycom, and RADVISION. 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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