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TRADE NEWS: LXI Consortium  
Joined by ZTEC Instruments.

San Diego, Calif., Apr. 21, 2005 -- The LXI Consortium today announced that ZTEC Instruments has joined the recently formed standards organization. LXI (LAN extensions for instrumentation) is a next-generation, LAN-based modular platform standard for automated test systems. As a leading supplier of modular test and measurement equipment, ZTEC Instruments expands the base of test and measurement companies supporting the development of the LXI standard.

LXI combines built-in measurement science and PC-standard I/O connectivity from rack-and-stack instruments with the modularity and size reduction of cardcage-based systems. With LXI, engineers are able to leverage the software and measurement accuracy they currently have from their GPIB instruments to the test system. The LXI standard provides a basis for long life-cycle instrumentation implementations that are not limited by bandwidth, software or computer-dependent architectures.

“We are delighted to join the LXI Consortium and look forward to help develop and refine the LXI standard in cooperation with the other members,” says Mark Morris, Vice President of Sales and Marketing. “ZTEC Instruments strives to provide the best features, integration, technology and service to our customers. This standard is the next generation platform using the latest technology for test and measurement. We are happy to help evolve LXI and to assist in the development of this next generation solution.”

## About ZTEC Instruments

ZTEC Instruments is a pioneering instrument design and manufacturing company whose product focus is modular oscilloscopes and digitizers. Our products are unique in that they provide common bench-top instrument capabilities in modular instrument form factors, including PCI, CompactPCI/PXI, and VXI. ZTEC products are built using the latest technology and we are committed to provide the integration tools and customer assistance required to make your application a success. For more information about ZTEC Instruments and how our products can address your test and measurement needs, please visit [www.ztec-inc.com](http://www.ztec-inc.com).

## About the LXI Consortium

LXI is the next-generation, LAN-based modular architecture standard for automated test systems managed by the LXI Consortium, a not-for-profit corporation made up of leading test and measurement companies. The group's goals are to develop, support and promote the LXI standard. LXI's compact, flexible package, high-speed I/O, and prolific use of LAN meet the needs of aerospace defense engineers developing radar, electronic warfare, satellite and military communications systems.

A backgrounder on LXI is available at [www.lxistandard.org/find/lxi\\_backgrounder](http://www.lxistandard.org/find/lxi_backgrounder). Additional information about the LXI Consortium's product offerings, licensing, specifications and membership is available at [www.lxistandard.org](http://www.lxistandard.org).

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