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TRADE NEWS: LXI Consortium's Second PlugFest Propels LXI Standard Forward

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Sept. 6, 2005 -- The LXI Consortium held its second PlugFest event last month to further confirm the LXI standards as implemented by the consortium's technical committee. Prototype products from Aeroflex, Agilent Technologies, Keithley, MCC, Pickering, Rohde & Schwarz, Venture, and VXI Technology were tested to different areas of the specification, including LAN functionality, Web interface compliance, hardware trigger, programming API, and IEEE 1588 protocol implementation. The event, which took place Aug. 23-25 in Portland, Ore., was attended by 45 members of the LXI Consortium.

"This second LXI PlugFest confirmed the commitment and viability of product among the consortium members," said Bob Rennard, LXI Consortium president. "The results are clearing the way for LXI technical specification delivery and adoption this fall. Our PlugFests are shifting from proving the spec to helping members verify their designs and demonstrate compliance."

Added Jon Semancik, vice president and treasurer of the LXI Consortium, "This event demonstrated significant progress with IEEE 1588 protocol and hardware trigger implementations -- key functional areas of the specification."

[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, as well as address a broad range of industrial and commercial applications.

Additional information about the LXI consortium's product offerings, licensing, specifications and membership is available at www.lxistandard.org.

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