

Leading French Service Provider Free Selects Marvell To Power Freebox Server As Part Of Freebox Revolution Offer

New advanced multi-service gateway box demonstrates growing Marvell leadership in delivering innovative solutions for service providers and consumers

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Jan. 5, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Marvell (Nasdaq: MRVL), a worldwide leader in integrated silicon solutions, today announced that leading French service provider, Free, a subsidiary of Iliad, will integrate a full suite of Marvell® advanced processors, switching and Wi-Fi technologies to power the new Freebox Revolution multi-service gateway. By incorporating Marvell technologies, the innovative Freebox Revolution, invented and pioneered by Free from the ground up, delivers an expansive set of services necessary to make the always-on home entertainment experience a reality for Free customers throughout France.

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"Free is a highly innovative and advanced service provider, and we are pleased that the Freebox R&D team selected Marvell for this forward-thinking initiative. Marvell is delivering seamless continuity across all the connected devices in our lives to provide anytime, anywhere access to high quality content and applications," said Weili Dai, Co-founder of Marvell. "Advanced home gateway technology such as the Freebox Revolution serves as a powerful digital control center with the ability to deliver immersive entertainment and infotainment experiences to connected devices ranging from mobile phones and tablets to information appliances and smart furnishings. Our collaboration will enable Free customers to experience our shared vision of the always-on, mobile lifestyle."

The new Freebox Revolution multi-service gateway combines advance home media server and gateway technologies and offers Freebox player capabilities, such as Blu-ray movie playback, smart TV and gaming services. Together, these solutions can access fiber or xDSL network and utilize the Marvell ARM-based Kirkwood™ System-on-Chip (SoC), Link Street® Gigabit Switches, Marvell Smart™ Wi-Fi 802.11n 3x3 450 Mbps Dual-band technology, and Alaska® Gigabit Ethernet PHY transceivers. By combining these technologies with open source Linux driver support, Free is able to deliver powerful and efficient embedded network attached (NAS) storage functionality, media streaming features, and an array of cloud- and local-based applications while providing cutting edge performance and reach, all in a green solution that reduces power consumption in comparison to today's industry standard technologies.

"Marvell is delivering a full suite of technology that is enabling Free to break free from the mold and bring our concept of the Freebox Revolution to life to the benefit of our customers, said Maxime Lombardini, CEO, Iliad. "With Marvell technology, we can continue to provide new and exciting services at a highly competitive price point. We appreciate the technology and support Marvell is providing as a key partner in our Freebox Revolution initiative."

Free's Freebox Server at CES

The new "Freebox Server" will be on display at the CES Marvell booth: South Hall 3 Upper Level, #30642.

About Marvell

Marvell (NASDAQ: MRVL) is a world leader in the development of storage, communications, and consumer silicon solutions. Marvell's diverse product portfolio includes switching, transceiver, communications controller, wireless, and storage solutions that power the entire communications infrastructure including enterprise, metro, home, and storage networking. As used in this release, the term "Marvell" refers to Marvell Technology Group Ltd. and its subsidiaries. For more information, visit <http://www.marvell.com>.

About Free

Free is an Iliad subsidiary. The Iliad Group is a major player in the French Internet access and telecommunications market via Free and Alice (4,528,000 ADSL subscribers as of 30 September 2010), Onetel and Iliad Telecom (fixed telephony providers) as well as Free Mobile. The Iliad Group is listed on Euronext Paris under the ticker ILD. For more information, visit <http://www.iliad.fr/>

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