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ONVIF (Open Network Video Interface Forum) takes important steps towards an open, global standard for the interface of network video products

- ▶ 18 new members join the forum
- ▶ Successful first meeting for members and interested parties held in Washington D.C.
- ▶ Presentation of version 1.0 of the ONVIF core specification

ONVIF (Open Network Video Interface Forum) today welcomes 18 new member companies into the forum. Joining the forum allows organizations to actively take part in the specification development. Various classes of membership are available to accommodate individual levels of participation. ONVIF announces that Cieffe S.p.A (a March Networks Company), Hikvision Digital Technology, IndigoVision Ltd and Panasonic Corporation System Solutions Company have joined the forum as 'Full Members'. An updated member listing is available at www.onvif.org.

"The resources and experience that the new members bring to ONVIF are a great asset, and we look forward to working together to establish a global standard for network video products," says Jonas Andersson, Chairman of ONVIF's Steering Committee. "Based on the response we have experienced so far, we expect our member base to grow quickly within the next months."

ONVIF's first member meeting and open house, held December 3-4 in Washington D.C., received great interest from the industry. 93 participants from over 60 companies participated at the event. The main focus of the meeting was the presentation of the 1.0 version of the ONVIF core specification which included a detailed walkthrough of the specification. Attendees also received an overview about the forum's organization, activities and membership possibilities.

The 1.0 version of ONVIF core specification is now available for download at www.onvif.org. It defines standardized procedures for communication between network video products, and makes it possible to use common and well defined interfaces when building a network video system with components from different manufacturers. These interfaces cover local and remote device discovery, device management, imaging configuration, media configuration, real-time streaming of audio and video, event handling, video analytics, PTZ (Pan, Tilt and Zoom) control and security. Specifications for automatic code generation of application interfaces are also available. The ONVIF specifications will be further developed by the forum and its members.

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About ONVIF

Established in 2008 by Axis Communications, Bosch Security Systems and Sony Corporation, ONVIF (Open Network Video Interface Forum) is a global and open industry forum that is committed to the adoption of network video in the security market. ONVIF's mission is to facilitate the development and use of a global open standard for the interface of network video products. ONVIF membership is open to manufacturers, software developers, consultants, system integrators, end-users and other interest groups that wish to participate in the activities of ONVIF.