



Successful collaboration between HomeGrid Forum and Broadband Forum at the first ever G.hn Access Pre-Certification Plugfest

Fremont, California, 19 October 2022: The first ever G.hn Access Pre-Certification Plugfest, a joint event between <u>Broadband Forum</u> and <u>HomeGrid Forum</u>, was held successfully at the <u>University of New Hampshire InterOperability Laboratory (UNH-IOL)</u>.

The Plugfest demonstrates the continued importance of G.hn Access technology's role in delivering multi-gigabit services. The event saw participation from BBF and HGF members including; Albis Elcon, Comtrend Corporation, devolo AG, MaxLinear, Methode Electronics, Inc, Positron Access Solutions Corp, ReadyLinks and SendTek Corporation, and was supported by testing equipment providers Sparnex and Telebyte.

"We were delighted to collaborate with HomeGrid Forum and successfully hold the first ever G.hn Access Pre-Certification Plugfest at UNH-IOL's labs, with participants both on-site and remotely connecting to the test beds from around the world," Broadband Forum Managing Director Ken Ko said. "We continue to showcase the importance of G.hn Access technology in providing multigigabit services across the industry."

Across the sector, vendors came together to have early access to the forthcoming G.hn Access Certification testing, that has been jointly developed by both organizations. Participation in the event with such access to the testing program allowed those involved to be confident in accelerating service deployments with highly performant standard-compliant G.hn Access certified systems.

HomeGrid Forum President Livia Rosu said: "The G.hn Access Pre-Certification Plugfest was a fantastic event, and this collaboration has huge advantages to broadband players across the industry. With HomeGrid Forum's based compliance and interoperability testing combined with Broadband Forum's based performance testing, it was great to see the participating organizations make use of the Plugfest event to enhance network deployments. We extend our thanks to UNH-IOL for allowing us to hold the event at its facility."





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Broadband Forum is an open, non-profit industry organization composed of the industry's leading broadband operators, vendors, thought leaders who are shaping the future of broadband, and observers who closely track our progress. Its work to date has been the foundation for broadband's global proliferation and innovation. For example, the Forum's flagship TR-069 CPE WAN Management Protocol has nearly 1 billion installations worldwide.

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