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### **CENTRAL EUROPE'S LARGEST INTERNET EXCHANGE TACKLES INCREASING TRAFFIC DEMANDS WITH FORCE10 NETWORKS TERASCALE E-SERIES SWITCH/ROUTERS**

**SAN JOSE, Calif., June 27, 2007** – Force10 Networks®, the pioneer in building and securing reliable networks, today announced that DE-CIX, the largest Internet exchange in Central and Eastern Europe, is leveraging the scalable capacity of the TeraScale E-Series® family of switch/routers to meet the rapidly increasing bandwidth demands. The Force10 TeraScale E-Series has helped DE-CIX scale its network and services to support nearly 200 Gigabits per second of traffic, an increase of 140 percent over the past 12 months.

“The convergence of a growing customer base and their increasing use of bandwidth-intensive multimedia applications drove our need to deploy a highly reliable and scalable network infrastructure,” says Harald Summa, CEO at DE-CIX. “Force10 stood alone in its ability to seamlessly deliver the capacity to answer these pressing challenges and still have the capability to scale toward the 400-600 Gbps range we anticipate needing in the next couple years.”

The Force10 TeraScale E-Series connects four colocation facilities throughout Frankfurt in a resilient 10 Gigabit Ethernet backbone to support more than 200 Internet providers from more than 20 countries. Supporting 1,260 Gigabit and 224 Ten Gigabit Ethernet ports, the TeraScale E-Series provides the capacity that has enabled DE-CIX to deliver 10 Gigabit connectivity to more than 90 customers and migrate about 110 customers from 100 Megabit services to Gigabit services.

“Internet exchanges, such as DE-CIX, have tremendous traffic demands and those demands will continue to grow exponentially,” said Stephen Garrison, vice president of marketing at Force10 Networks. “The TeraScale E-Series is designed to seamlessly scale without compromising performance, providing a network foundation that can evolve as traffic patterns change.”

The patent-protected five Terabits-per-second (Tbps) backplane of the Force10 TeraScale E-Series is uniquely architected for high performance networks like DE-CIX that are currently processing high traffic levels and anticipate rapid growth in the future. With up to 330 Gbps per slot, the TeraScale E-Series can support system-level capacity increases without the added cost of a chassis or backplane upgrade, providing long-term investment protection.

#### **About DE-CIX**

DE-CIX Management GmbH is the carrier neutral and independent owner and operator of the DE-CIX Internet Exchange in Frankfurt/Germany. Founded in 1995, DE-CIX established an environment for the bilateral settlement-free exchange of Internet traffic (“Peering”) between all types of Internet service providers. More than 200 customers from 20+ nations are peering at DE-CIX to lower costs and increase IP performance and resiliency. This makes DE-CIX the market leader for peering in Central and Eastern Europe.

#### **About Force10 Networks**

Force10 Networks is the pioneer in building and securing reliable networks. Based on a revolutionary system architecture that delivers best-in-class resiliency and massive scalability, Force10’s TeraScale E-Series switch/routers ensure predictable application performance, increase network availability, and reduce operating costs. Today, many of the world’s largest Gigabit Ethernet and 10 Gigabit Ethernet networks depend on Force10 Networks. For additional information, please visit [www.force10networks.com](http://www.force10networks.com).

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