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### **MICROTCA SUMMIT 2008 SHOWCASES LATEST INNOVATIONS AND ADVANCES IN STANDARD PLATFORM FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS**

#### **Event Will Feature Solutions for Low-Cost Telecommunications Equipment, Mobile Systems, Military and Defense Systems, Industrial Control, and More**

**SAN DIEGO, CA, April 8, 2008** — The MicroTCA Summit 2008 ([www.microtcasummit.com](http://www.microtcasummit.com)), a power-packed, three-day event featuring the latest advances in the MicroTCA standard platform for embedded systems, will be held May 28-30, 2008 at the Marriott Westfields in Chantilly, Virginia. The MicroTCA Summit will bring together vendors and end-users to discuss practical information and trends regarding how and why the MicroTCA specification can handle the latest processors and high-speed interfaces, the most demanding high-availability applications, and next-generation wireless networks. The MicroTCA Summit provides attendees with an opportunity to:

- Learn about MicroTCA-based system development for next-generation networks
- See real solutions based on MicroTCA
- Participate in a work session on how to build a MicroTCA-based solution
- Gain insights about COTS-based software platforms
- Learn methods to reduce power dissipation
- View tutorials and practical demonstrations on how to achieve interoperability
- Meet with potential partners, distributors, consultants, and solution providers

“The MicroTCA market looks very promising, as its technology enables telecom equipment manufacturers and defense contractors to implement a standard communications platform for network core, edge, and access applications,” said Ernie Bergstrom, Chairperson of the MicroTCA Summit and President of Crystal Cube Consulting. “The market for MicroTCA-based systems expected to reach \$1 billion in 2008 and \$3.5 billion by year-end 2010. For companies that want to be successful designing MicroTCA systems, creating products for

them, or applying this standard communications platform, the MicroTCA Summit is a must-attend event.”

Keynote addresses from Network-Centric Operations Industry Consortium (NCOIC), Emerson Network Power, and Intel will provide executive-level views of the state of the industry. Conference presenters and panelists include experts from Actel, AMCC, CorEdge Networks, Enea, GE Fanuc Embedded Systems, Kontron America, MicroBlade, and Wind River, as well as representatives from industry associations including CP-TA, SCOPE, PICMG, and RapidIO Trade Association. Special sessions include a Beer and Pizza Chat with the Experts, a market research presentation on directions in MicroTCA, a workshop on developing MicroTCA applications, and the MicroTCA Report Card session on how MicroTCA is doing and what still needs to be done.

A special interoperability demonstration will be featured in the exhibit area on Wednesday, May 28 and Thursday, May 29. It will illustrate the rapid development of a working application from many vendors' components. Organized by Keith Williamson, System Architect, Emerson Network Power, the demonstration will include products from Emerson Network Power, Schroff, Elma, CorEdge Networks, Interphase, and Freescale Semiconductor.

Exhibitors will showcase a broad range of MicroTCA products, including the latest AdvancedMC cards; customizable carrier Hubs; high-performance processor modules; dual-based AMCs; middleware for network supervision, fault management, and shelf management services; rugged connectors; packet processing solutions; compact MicroTCA shelves; 10-12.5 Gbps interconnect support; and small form factor mounting boxes for AMCs. For a complete list of product highlights, visit [http://www.microtcasummit.com/English/Conference/New\\_Product\\_Info.html](http://www.microtcasummit.com/English/Conference/New_Product_Info.html).

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**About the MicroTCA Summit**

The MicroTCA Summit provides attendees with current information on this emerging standard platform for low-cost telecommunications equipment, mobile systems, military and defense systems, medical equipment, and other applications. It features tutorials, workshops, paper and panel sessions, keynotes, and exhibits. Attendees gain practical, up-to-date knowledge on how to reduce equipment cost and development time. Subjects include hardware, software, design methods, applications, standards, interfaces, design methods, and market research. For more information, visit [www.microtcasummit.com](http://www.microtcasummit.com).

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