



Newtec acquires IP-core provider TurboConcept

Enabling the development of new DVB-S2 based products

Sint-Niklaas, Belgium, August 2007. Newtec announces today that it has acquired 100% of the shares of the French company TurboConcept, a leading provider of Intellectual Property Cores (IP Cores) used in satellite and wireless communications.

Based in Brest, the company is specialized in the development of IP cores for the implementation of Forward Error Correction codes such as Turbo and LDPC codes. The IP cores are integrated into the receiver chips of many satellite receivers, wireless modems and mobile handsets.

“The complementarities between our two companies are obvious,” says Serge Van Herck, CEO of Newtec. “TurboConcept develops core technology we integrate in our DVB-S2 based products. Both companies are leading European technology references in the satellite communication industry. We share similar core values as we have the same passion for shaping the future of satellite communications. With TurboConcept as a subsidiary, we want to further increase the satellite bandwidth efficiency of our TV, HDTV and IP broadband products. Eventually this will enable our customers to further reduce their operational satellite transmission costs”.

“Newtec and TurboConcept have a track record of successful cooperation over several years. Being part of Newtec will allow us to strengthen our respective product leading position in the DVB-S2 market, while continuing to serve our other customers with the same passion and dedication” says Nathalie Brengarth, the CEO of Turbo Concept.

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About Newtec

Since its establishment in 1985 in Belgium, Newtec has been among the market leaders of Satellite Communication, offering highly reliable products and solutions as DVB modulators, Digital TV & Radio Distribution networks, interactive TV networks and IP Broadband Access Networks to customers throughout the entire world.

With its ambitious policy of re-investment in R&D, Newtec is being recognized as the forerunner in several innovative satellite communication technologies, which eventually were published as industry standards (DVB, DVB-S2, DVB RCS and iSatTV Cenelec pr EN50478).

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Newtec has regional offices located in Stamford (US), Singapore (Singapore), Beijing (China), Dubai (UAE), São Paulo (Brazil) and Johannesburg (South Africa).

About TurboConcept:

Founded in 1999 as a spin-off from ENST-Bretagne, the French University where turbo codes were born, TurboConcept is a leading provider of IP Cores for advanced FEC techniques – Turbo and LDPC codes.

TurboConcept has a large catalogue of Convolutional and Product Turbo Codes and LDPC solutions for satellite and wireless communications markets. Specific standards covered by our Cores are : DVB-RCS, DVB-S2, WiMAX, 3G, LTE, HomePlug, CCSDS. The company is the industry reference in iterative FEC Cores with more than 50 License Agreements with satellite and wireless communications companies.

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