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**6WIND CHAIRMAN AND VICE PRESIDENT OF IPv6 FORUM IN SEOUL FOR  
COLLABORATION TALKS ON IPv6**

**“With the highest broadband penetration in the world, South Korea’s role in driving IPv6 deployment cannot be ignored as IPv6 gathers momentum the world over,” said Patrick Cocquet, who will meet with Korean IPv6 Forum President, Ki-Shik Park, to push for further Franco-Korean collaboration on IPv6 deployment.**

**Paris, April 20, 2004** – Recognized leader and lobbyist on IPv6 deployment and standards, Patrick Cocquet flew in directly from Beijing where he was a keynote speaker at the China IPv6 Summit among a list that read like the Who’s Who of the Internet and IPv6 industry such as Vinton Cerf and Latif Ladid. His mission: to promote and pursue collaboration between France and South Korea in the development and deployment of IPv6 for richer end-user services.

In a briefing to journalists, Mr Cocquet said that even though IPv6 was originally designed to address the fundamental need of IP addresses, the importance of IPv6 for South Korea lies more in its advantages as a richer application enabler for end-users than IPv4 could ever offer. This is because, more than just a fix in expanding internet addresses from 32 bits to 128 bits, IPv6 provides for enhanced QoS, multicast, and autoconfiguration while giving a whole new meaning to the term, mobile IP, nomadicity, peer-to-peer and end-to-end secure connection.

He said, “As the co-founder of 6WIND, I have followed the deployment of our fully-integrated v4 and v6 networking software in major trials and projects around the world. From experience, I’ve noticed the greatest value-add of IPv6 is not at the infrastructure level but at the access network layer where end-user services can be offered. Therefore, being one of the most mature internet societies in the world, the development of IPv6 for South Korea will be a springboard to creating innovative new business models and richer end-user services if integrated network access technology can provide for seamless IPv4-IPv6 interoperability and user transparency.

“As the number one DSL country by penetration of phone lines, with more than 20 percent of subscriptions upgraded to VDSL services, the face of communication networks is being converged and transformed. To add to that, 33 million mobile phone users and more than 15,000 wireless hotspots makes for a fertile market of mass devices deployment.

“The convergence of Next Generation Networks (NGN) and the New Generation Internet (NGI) will become Net-Centric Communications (NCC) where billions of devices will be connected, man-to-man, man-to-machine and machine-to-machine. Only the capacity to manage a smart transition between the two IP protocols will efficiently provision for permanent connectivity (ADSL, cable), IP-connected industrial and consumer electronics, home networking, digital TV, online gaming, VoIP, and VoD. The IPv6 Forum Korea has indeed declared IPv6 as the new growth engine for South Korea, and the Ministry of Information and Communication has recognized this by launching a Broadband Convergence Network Plan (BcN). Within this context, I am therefore taking this opportunity and the recent progress made on the technology MOU between France and South Korea to develop concrete cooperation on IPv6 deployment,” added Mr Cocquet.

On the occasion of his visit, Mr Cocquet will also be addressing industry players at the 6WIND IPv6-

Empowering Seminar: Driving IPv6 Implementation to South Korean Advantage on April 20, 2004, where Mr Ki-Shik Park is guest of honor and keynote speaker.

### **About 6WIND**

Considered a key reference in advanced IP technologies, 6WIND is a leader and innovator of groundbreaking IP networking software technology. 6WIND develops fully-integrated IPv4-IPv6 software solutions that significantly shorten development time and costs, reduce network integration issues, speed up time to market and deliver a leading edge differentiator to beat the competition. The software's rich architecture empowers easy integration and facilitates development of network access equipment, enabling the deployment of value-added IP services for secure broadband access, WLAN, mobility and multimedia applications. At the same time, its proven maturity ensures seamless interoperability and transition from IPv4 infrastructures to those on IPv6.

6WIND is a spin-off of Dassault and Thales, European leaders of the defence and electronics industry. The company is an award-winner of Europe's prestigious IST 2004 (Information Society Technology) prize for ground-breaking technologies; and is one of only two European companies with Nokia to have been certified IPv6-ready by the global IPv6 Forum. 6WIND is headquartered near Paris, France, and is present in Asia. For more information on 6WIND, visit <http://www.6wind.com>

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