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Wind River and 6WIND seal a partnership for Multi- Core processors

Wind River Systems, Inc (NASDAQ : WIND), worldwide leader for Device Software Optimization and 6WIND, embedded networking software provider, validated a joint solution including Operating System and network layers for Multi-Core CPU. This solution significantly reduces development time of powerful equipment for innovative applications such as mobile network infrastructure, telephony and TV over IP or UTM.

A new generation of equipment (mobile network infrastructure, UTM, TV over IP...) require high demanding processing capabilities, differentiated packet processing and end-to-end security. Multi-Core (MC) CPU technology provides a well-suited hardware solution thanks to an excellent performance / level of integration / power consumption ratio.

However MC-based hardware architectures remain complicated and software layers (Operating System and network middleware) are mandatory to manage this complexity to reduce development time and costs for this new generation of equipment.

To deliver a valuable answer, Wind River et 6WIND provide a joint solution based on Wind River® Linux and 6WINDGate™, a full-featured networking solution including both Data Plane (Fast Path) and Control Plane while making optimal use of hardware packet processing capabilities (distribution between cores, encryption, priority management, deep packet inspection). Common customers will greatly benefit from this integrated and validated solution providing L2 services (VLAN, GRE...), IP forwarding, IPsec, QoS management, IP filtering... in a Carrier-Grade Linux environment.

This solution interfaces efficiently hardware architecture to provide optimal performance while significantly reducing development tasks. Equipment Providers (telecoms, security, media gateways...) can focus on product differentiation. It also makes migration from existing architectures to MC-based ones easier thanks to interfaces compatible with a standard Linux.

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« We are very pleased to partner with a market leader in Linux embedded applications such as Wind River. We can provide our customers with a fully validated network layer including IP protocols, routing, QoS, security. More, smooth integration with Operating System provides the highest level of performance that can be expected from Multi-Core CPUs », said Éric Carmès, 6WIND CEO.

« Our products including our WorkBench development framework support Multi-Core architectures for both Linux and VxWorks environment. Such optimized development tools are critical to reduce software debugging time for such complex hardware architectures. 6WIND networking software ideally complements and enriches our software platform to reduce development time and enhance performance », said Stéphane Deruelle, Director, South Western Europe - Wind River Systems.

About Wind River

Wind River is the global leader in Device Software Optimization (DSO). Wind River enables companies to develop, run and manage device software faster, better, at lower cost and more reliably. Wind River platforms are pre-integrated, fully standardized, enterprise-wide development solutions. They reduce effort, cost and risk and optimize quality and reliability at all phases of the device software development process, from concept to deployed product.

Founded in 1981, Wind River is headquartered in Alameda, California, with operations worldwide. To learn more, visit Wind River at www.windriver.com or call 1-800-872-4977.

À propos de 6WIND

6WIND is the undisputed leader and innovator of embedded networking software for OEM licensing. The company's software, 6WINDGate™, enables equipment and system vendors to significantly cut development time and costs, simplify network application integration and accelerate the go-to-market process of multi-services IP gateways and systems. 6WINDGate™-empowered equipment are used worldwide for advanced dual-IP interoperability, integrated network security and wireless broadband by ISP and telecommunication operators, defense and public agencies, and industrial corporations.

The company is a spin-out of Thales (HO.FP) with headquarters near Paris, France with a R&D centre in Beijing, China and sales offices in Asia. For more information, please visit www.6wind.com

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