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## **6WIND Launches Version 3 of the Industry's #1 Packet Processing Software Solution**

*Expanded features and new platform support accelerate time-to-market for multicore networking, security and telecom platforms*

**April 12, 2010 – PARIS, France** – 6WIND, a leading provider of commercial packet processing solutions, today announced the release of the latest and most powerful version of its 6WINDGate™ software for multicore processors. 6WINDGate Version 3 enables developers of next-generation networking equipment to minimize the time-to-market for multicore platforms, while maximizing the features and stability of their product and leveraging the latest processors from industry-leading suppliers.

Deployed by tier-one networking and telecom OEMs worldwide, 6WINDGate is the gold standard for commercial multicore packet processing software. Providing a comprehensive Linux networking software solution that delivers a 7-10x packet processing performance improvement compared to standard Linux networking stacks, it allows OEMs to develop multicore-based products that achieve the best cost-performance, integration and energy efficiency in the industry. Because 6WINDGate is fully compatible with standard Linux APIs, developers can migrate standard Linux applications onto new platforms based on 6WINDGate without having to redesign or rewrite their existing software, thereby easing the transition from single to multicore platforms.

The 6WINDGate 3 release delivers key benefits for next-generation networking applications such as advanced security equipment, LTE/WiMAX infrastructure and cloud computing. Features such as support for 64-bit processing, virtualization and multi-queuing enable developers to achieve the maximum system performance while providing the advanced services required for secure, all-IP networks.

6WINDGate 3 provides full support for the latest Linux kernels. While new clients benefit immediately from the additional features and enhanced stability of the latest kernels, these advantages are also available to existing users of 6WINDGate 2.x software as soon as they upgrade to version 3, because all applications developed for 2.x will work on version 3.

6WIND works closely with the leading suppliers of multicore processors, ensuring that the 6WINDGate software is fully optimized to best exploit new features in their architectures. 6WINDGate 3 includes full support for the latest multicore processors from Cavium Networks, Freescale Semiconductor, Intel Corp. and NetLogic Microsystems, Inc. OEMs can select the latest processors from these families with confidence that the performance capabilities of the processor will be balanced by optimized support in 6WINDGate.

“6WINDGate 3 accelerates our clients’ software development cycle by more than six months, while allowing them to leverage the latest Linux features and select the most recent multicore processors.” said Eric Carmes, CEO of 6WIND. “This provides an ideal solution for optimizing the cost-performance, integration and power consumption of next-generation networking, security and telecom equipment.”

6WIND executives will be speaking on best software design practices for high performance packet processing at the Embedded Systems Conference and Multicore Expo on Tuesday April 27, 2010 in San Jose California. 6WINDGate Version 3 will ship in April 2010. To learn more, visit 6WIND at <http://www.6wind.com>.

### **About 6WIND**

6WIND provides high-performance packet processing software solutions used by leading networking, telecommunications and security companies providing equipment for converged, all-IP networks. The company’s 6WINDGate™ solution maximizes the packet processing performance of single and multi-core platforms, allowing customers to focus on their own value-added software applications and minimize their time-to-market. To ensure the availability of a complete system-level ecosystem, 6WIND partners with industry-leading suppliers of board-level products, operating systems and embedded software products worldwide. 6WIND is a privately owned company based near Paris, France with a US subsidiary in California, a sale and support office in Asia, and an R&D center in Beijing, China. For more information, visit [www.6wind.com](http://www.6wind.com).