



# Greece Ready for IPv6

Athens, April 6, 2012 - The Hellenic IPv6 Task Force (HTFv6) is an open forum that gives the opportunity to Greek service providers, system integrators, public sector agencies and research organisations to present best practices and exchange information for the provision of new advanced services based on IPv6 technology. Key conclusions from the 4<sup>th</sup> annual meeting held last month in Athens may be summarised as follows: (a) the major local ISPs aim to introduce IPv6-enabled services to their broadband subscribers by the World IPv6 Launch, (b) the national public sector infrastructure is planned to support a wide IPv6 service portfolio in the forthcoming major upgrade, (c) successful IPv6 over 3G tests have been demonstrated by the local mobile operator, (d) the research community explores the provision of IPv6-only cloud services, and (e) IPv6 is considered as enabling technology for advanced services in the Smart Grid sector.

"It was demonstrated that the various public and commercial stakeholders in Greece are taking the right steps ahead", stressed Athanassios Liakopoulos, GRNET Coordinator and HTPv6 founding member.

"Always-on access technologies (BB, 3G-LTE,...) need globally routable IP address space provided now only by IPv6. Greece has been a pioneering nation with Thanassis and the HTFv6 members contributing to the world efforts for innovative IPv6 services" states Latif Ladid, IPv6 Forum President.

The official site of the HTFv6 is www.ipv6-taskforce.gr

#### **About HTFv6**

The HTFv6 is an open forum that promotes the deployment of IPv6 in Greece through cooperation and technology transfer among its pubic and commercial members.

The HTFv6 organises diverse activities after taking into account the market conditions and the research potential of the country and targets to strengthen the competitiveness of the telecommunication and information technology sectors.

#### **About IPv6 Forum**

The IPv6 Forum is a world-wide consortium of Leading Internet vendors, service providers and National Research & Education Networks (NRENs), with a mission to promote IPv6 by improving market and user awareness, creating a quality and secure New Generation Internet and allowing world-wide access to knowledge and technology. The key focus of the IPv6 Forum today is to provide technical guidance for the deployment of IPv6. IPv6 Summits are organized by the IPv6 Forum and staged in various locations around the world to provide industry and market with the best available information on this rapidly advancing technology. Please visit <a href="http://www.ipv6forum.com">http://www.ipv6forum.com</a>

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