

FIBRE HORIZONS - A newsletter of the FTTH Council Europe

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FIBRE HORIZONS is a monthly newsletter published by the FTTH Council Europe and distributed to readers interested in fibre to the home networks and the activities of our organisation.

Did you hear?



"We are, in my opinion, entering the most exciting era in the fibre to the home industry. We are seeing increasing awareness of all the positive impacts that extensive FTTH deployment can bring to a country [...] It is crucial that we build on this momentum and make it even more attractive for others to make investment in the FTTH industry."

Ronan Kelly, President of the FTTH Council Europe

In the Spotlight

FTTH Handbook - 7th Edition

The seventh edition of the FTTH Handbook, unveiled at the FTTH Conference 2016 in Luxembourg earlier this year, has been extensively revised, and contains significant enhancements to almost all the chapters of the document. The FTTH Handbook was first published in 2007; since then, it has been reworked to update the content and provide a more coherent and clear structure to the document.

With more than 100 million subscribers in the world, including 35,9 million in Europe (Source: FTTH ranking at end September 2015, FTTH Council Europe), FTTH has now become a reality in many people's lives. While most operators realize that FTTH is key for achieving competitiveness in the long run, they are confronted with increasingly complex choices within their infrastructures. Technology-wise, it is clear though that FTTH has reached maturity and now offers a multitude of solutions to cover different deployment scenarios.

From central office to subscriber equipment, from passive to active equipment options, this seventh edition provides up-to-date knowledge about fibre technology. It includes the latest innovations and solutions for efficient and future-proof fibre infrastructures, explaining how to plan and build networks, how to deal with fibre and fibre architectures, what type of equipment is now available, how to operate/manage the network and much more.

To further understand the numerous technology trends of the industry and the latest solutions, download the seventh edition of the FTTH Handbook below:

[Download now](#) (PDF) >

Become an Operator Observer of the FTTH Council Europe

The FTTH Council Europe offers a special Operator Observer status for all interested network operators and utility companies. This offer has a wide range of advantages, including direct access to exclusive information, networking opportunities and participation in selected working committees of the FTTH Council Europe.

The initiative to drive the growth in the number of Operator Observer members is an important part of the FTTH Council Europe's 2016-2017 [work plan](#), as set out at the General Assembly in Amsterdam on 19 and 20 April 2016.

To apply for Operator Observer status, please fill out the [application forms](#) and send them to info@ftthcouncil.eu

Check out [here](#) the latest operators who has joined the FTTH Council Europe as Operator Observer.

Save the date for the FTTH Conference 2017

The 14th edition of the [FTTH Conference](#) will be held in the exhibition and convention centre 'Marseille Chanot' in Marseille, France, on 14-16 February 2017. Delegate registration will open in autumn 2016.

The Call for Sponsors has started. Exhibiting/sponsoring is only possible for member companies of the FTTH Council Europe. If your company is interested, you are invited to book your booth as soon as possible to get the best location in the exhibition hall. First come first served!

Download the [call for sponsors](#) and the [application form](#) for more information.

Do you want to know more about the FTTH Conference? Check out the [Event Report](#) of the 13th edition of the event held on 16-18 February 2016 in Luxembourg.

NewsBeat

[Deutsche Glasfaser eyes nationwide expansion](#)

[Virgin Media names 10 FTTH communities](#)

[Fibre Optic ISP Gigaclear Improves Rural UK Customer Support](#)

[Half of Swedish councils aim for fibre broadband in 2 years](#)

[Vodafone Spain goes for 9m FTTH](#)

Upcoming Events

The FTTH Council Europe will be speaking or exhibiting at the following events:

20 - 22 June: [10th CRU Wire & Cable Conference 2016](#) in Milan, Italy

4 - 6 October: [FTTH Conference Africa](#) in Cape Town, South Africa

Join our social media communities

Be first to find out about the latest developments at the FTTH Council Europe by joining our active social media communities. Right now we have more than 7,000 members in our LinkedIn Group, 3,378 followers on Twitter and over 3,000 "likes" on Facebook - so you'll be in great company!



About us

The FTTH Council Europe is an industry organisation with a mission to accelerate the availability of fibre-based, ultra-high-speed access networks to consumers and businesses. The Council promotes this technology because it will deliver a flow of new services that enhance the quality of life, contribute to a better environment and increase economic competitiveness. The FTTH Council Europe consists of 150

member companies. www.ftthcouncil.eu

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