

FIBRE HORIZONS

A newsletter of the FTTH Council Europe

Vol. 2, Issue 6 - Tuesday, 21 June 2011

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 the Council.



Did You Hear?

"Information is like oxygen. You need large arteries."

Herman Wagter, fibre evangelist for Glasvezelnet Amsterdam (GNA) and senior analyst with consultancy firm Diffraction Analysis.

In the Spotlight:

Introducing the FTTH Handbook

The FTTH Handbook was the first major publication produced by the FTTH Council Europe. Originally issued in 2007, the Handbook's purpose was to provide an impartial source of information about the options available for deployment of optical fibre cable. The scope of the book was later expanded to include the technical options for lighting up the fibre, including both passive optical network and Ethernet systems, and the customer premises equipment. In 2010 the entire document was revised, and extensive new sections were added on the subject of FTTH network testing. For the fourth edition, published earlier this year, the sections on current and future developments in active equipment for FTTH networks were updated to include the latest passive optical network solutions with 10Gbps capacity and wavelength-division multiplexing. There is also a new section on quality grades for fibre-optic connectors.

As an industry organisation, the FTTH Council Europe represents equipment and installation companies from all over Europe. The cooperation of more than 150 members ensures that the FTTH Handbook provides vendor-neutral information based on the latest developments. The publication provides a highly respected information resource for FTTH project developers, and it is now available online as a PDF download, or you can browse the document in our Wiki. Both are free of charge.

[Download the 4th edition of the FTTH Handbook >](#)
[Read and edit the wiki version of the FTTH Handbook >](#)

Registration for the FTTH Conference 2012 is now open!

The FTTH Council Europe is pleased to announce that online registration for the FTTH Conference 2012 is now open. Don't miss the world's largest FTTH event, due to take place in the International Congress Centre (ICM) in Munich, Germany on 15 and 16 February 2012, with pre-conference workshops on 14 February.

The entrance fee includes all conference sessions, access to the exhibition, general catering and printed documentation. FTTH Council Europe member's employees qualify for a promotional rate – contact the secretariat for further details.

REGISTER NOW

Three more FTTH case studies published

Our online library of case studies keeps on growing and now totals 11. The latest addition is about Danish service provider Waoo! and how it provides services over the fibre networks of its utility company partners.

The FTTH case studies are also available on our WIKI now. Check them out there to add your comments and feedback.

[Read the Waoo! case study \(PDF\) >](#)
[Read the FTTH case studies on our WIKI >](#)

Newsbeat

[Sonic.net launches 1Gbps FTTH service](#)

[Bournemouth FTTH scheme back on track](#)

[HKBN passes 10,000 symmetric 1Gbps subscribers](#)

Upcoming FTTH Council Europe Events

FTTH Conference 2012 REMINDER! The world's largest FTTH Conference will now take place on 14–16 February in Munich, Germany.

More details at: www.ftthconference.eu

Upcoming Industry Events

[IQPC Glasfasernetze FTTX für EVUs](#), 27–29 June, Berlin, Germany

[NextGen 11 Nottingham Road Show](#), 6 July, Nottingham, UK

[NOC/OC&I 2011](#), 20–22 July, Newcastle Upon Tyne, UK

Nationaler FTTH Fachkongress by OpenAXS, 24 August, Winterthur, Switzerland

IBC 2011, 8—13 September, Amsterdam, Netherlands

ECOC 2011, 18—22 September, Geneva, Switzerland

2011 FTTH Conference and Expo, 26—30 September, Orlando, US

Broadband World Forum, 27—29 September, Paris, France



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 enhances the quality of life, contributes to a better environment and increased economic competitiveness. The FTTH Council Europe consists of more than 150 members.

www.ftthcouncil.eu



For general matters, please contact our Secretariat on info@ftthcouncil.eu.

The press contact is Nadia Babaali, Communications Director,
nadia.babaali@ftthcouncil.eu.

To become a member [click here](#)

This newsletter is sent to subscribers who have registered on our web site and to our members. Feel free to forward to colleagues and friends.

To subscribe please [click here](#).

To unsubscribe please send an email to info@ftthcouncil.eu

FTTH Council Europe ASBL, Excelsiorlaan 91, 1939 Zaventem, Belgium
Tel: + 43 699 19081622, Fax +43 2855 71142