

Fibre to the Home Council Europe

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FTTH Council Europe welcomes EU broadband plans

The new European Digital Agenda, recently presented by Commissioner Neelie Kroes, requests speeds of 100Mbps or more for at least 50% of European households by 2020. The FTTH Council Europe applauds this commitment, which confirms the need to accelerate the roll-out of fibre-based networks in Europe, while pointing out that bandwidth should be available for both upload and download – the digital economy is based on information exchange of data in both directions.

[Read the press release \(PDF\) >](#)

Beirut will host the FTTH Middle East Conference 2010

Planning for the second edition of the FTTH Middle East Conference is well underway. Taking place on 30 November to 1 December in Lebanon's capital city of Beirut, we hope the event will be even bigger than last year's, which attracted more than 260 delegates from 30 countries and the patronage of the Jordanian Minister for ICT.

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FTTH Conference 2011 will take place in Milan

The city of Milan has a firm place in fibre history, being one of the first cities where FTTH was deployed. In 2000 alternative operator Fastweb started to roll out a fibre network that now passes some 2 million homes and has nearly 300,000 subscribers. Recently, a trio of operators announced a significant expansion to the network, with plans to connect 15 major Italian cities by 2015. This is a good omen for the 8th annual FTTH Conference, which will take place in Milan on 9-10 February 2011.

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Expand your Fibre Horizons

The FTTH Council Europe has launched a monthly general newsletter aimed at anyone interested in fibre to the home and the activities of the Council. Each issue will bring you up to date with the latest news from the world of FTTH, and will also feature an "In the spotlight" article that takes a more detailed look at a major project or study being carried out by the Council.

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7-8/06/2010	7 th Annual Media & Telecoms Convergence http://www.arabadvisors.com/Convergence/schedule.htm	Amman, Jordan
7-9/06/2010	FTTx & NGA Summit 2010 http://fttx.optical-transmission.com/	London, UK
10/06/2010	BREKO-Sommerfest 2010 http://www.brekoverband.de/	Berlin, Germany
12-16/09/2010	FTTH Conference and Expo http://www.ftthconference.com/	Las Vegas, Nevada

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About The FTTH Council Europe:

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 will enhance the quality of life, contribute to a better environment and increase economic competitiveness. The Council consists of more than 130 member companies.

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