



Press Release

DE-CIX chooses FLEXOPTIX as exclusive supplier for universal transceivers

Frankfurt am Main, 23 June 2022. <u>DE-CIX</u>, the world's leading Internet Exchange (IX) operator, has chosen <u>FLEXOPTIX</u>, a leading technology provider for optical components, as their exclusive supplier worldwide for universal transceivers. Already today, DE-CIX utilizes FLEXOPTIX hardware at all of its close to 40 global locations. Moving forward, DE-CIX intends to implement FLEXOPTIX hardware at all planned and future deployments of interconnection platforms around the globe. FLEXOPTIX universal transceivers are an integral part of DE-CIX's awardwinning Apollo platform, helping to manage the enormous and continuous increase in customers and data traffic at all locations.

"At DE-CIX, our interconnection platforms are built using hardware of the highest standards. Our clients demand top-tier performance and resilience to ensure the continuous and failsafe flow of data. FLEXOPTIX has been able to consistently exceed our expectations and we are extremely satisfied with the products and performance. Their optical transceivers are adaptable to routers and switches produced by different hardware manufacturers and are thus easy to integrate into our platform. The broad portfolio of transceivers and short delivery times allow us to keep up the speed of our global expansion," says Dr. Thomas King, Chief Technology Officer at DE-CIX.

FLEXOPTIX universal transceivers have been designed to reliably convert electrical signals into high-speed optical data communication. This ensures the processing and forwarding of information in both directions regardless of data rate, form factor, or host system.

"We are thrilled to further expand our collaboration with DE-CIX and see our FLEXBOX and transceivers being implemented throughout the entire global DE-CIX infrastructure. We are proud to support the world's leading Interconnection provider with technology that just works," states Thomas Weible, Chief Technology Officer at FLEXOPTIX. "We look forward to continuing to grow our business alongside DE-CIX, around the globe."

DE-CIX operates close to 40 Internet Exchanges in Europe, North America, Africa, the Middle East, India, and Asia, either under its own management or in various cooperation and

partnership models. DE-CIX connects more than 2500 network operators (carriers), Internet service providers (ISPs), content providers and corporate networks from more than 100 countries and offers peering, cloud, and interconnection services. All in all, the DE-CIX Internet Exchanges make up the world's largest neutral interconnection ecosystem, with a connected customer capacity of more than 100 terabits.

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About DE-CIX

DE-CIX (German Commercial Internet Exchange) is the world's leading operator of Internet Exchanges (IXs). At its close to 40 locations in Europe, Africa, North America, the Middle East, India, and Asia, DE-CIX interconnects thousands of network operators (carriers), Internet service providers (ISPs), content providers and enterprise networks from more than 100 countries, and offers peering, cloud, and interconnection services. DE-CIX in Frankfurt, Germany, is one of the largest Internet Exchanges in the world, with a data volume of close to 30 Exabytes per year (as of 2021) and close to 1100 connected networks. More than 200 colleagues from over 30 different nations form the foundation of the DE-CIX success story in Germany and around the world. Since the beginning of the commercial Internet, DE-CIX has had a decisive influence – in a range of leading global bodies, such as the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) – on co-defining guiding principles for the Internet of the present and the future. As the operator of critical IT infrastructure, DE-CIX bears a great responsibility for the seamless, fast, and secure data exchange between people, enterprises, and organizations at its locations around the globe. Further information at <u>www.de-cix.net</u>.

About FLEXOPTIX

Founded 2008 in Germany, Flexoptix specialises in pluggable transceivers alongside application development, international marketing, logistics and ecommerce in that space. Vast experience and lean processes enable the reliable and sustainable deployment of universal transceivers in the high speed environments of network builders and operators. The Flexoptix focus is on the reliability, speed and usability of our products and services - so that our business partners can concentrate on their core business. As active participants in the network operator communities, we share information regarding market development and trends, along with the lessons learned in the pluggable industry.

Further information at <u>www.flexoptix.net</u>.

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