

CenturyLink and Infinera Connect the Research and Education Community at SC17

Sunnyvale, Calif. and Monroe, La., - Nov. 14, 2017, 10:00 AM PST - [CenturyLink, Inc.](#) (NYSE: CTL), a leading global network services company and Infinera, the leading provider of [Intelligent Transport Networks](#), are delivering multi-terabit connectivity to [SC17](#), the International Conference for High Performance Computing, Networking, Storage and Analysis. SC17 gathers the research and education community to share a wide range of cutting-edge demonstrations including atmospheric research, astrophysical imaging of space and genetic data mining. CenturyLink and Infinera are providing 2.8 terabits per second of capacity between SC17 and research networks around the world, leveraging the CenturyLink core network.

CenturyLink operates a robust, global 450,000 route mile fiber network and a 360,000 route mile international transport network. CenturyLink utilizes Infinera for delivery of optical networking innovations to keep pace with accelerating bandwidth demand.

“As the continuous growth of the digital economy expands what is possible, CenturyLink is a trusted partner in an increasingly complex digital world,” said Aamir Hussain, Executive Vice President and Chief Technology Officer at CenturyLink. “CenturyLink’s goal is to be the world’s best networking provider and we are well-positioned to address the complex network requirements of research and education institutions. Working with Infinera to deliver 2.8 terabits per second of capacity to SC17 demonstrates our commitment to serving these customers and providing them with the highly secure network connectivity they need.”

“We are delighted to work with CenturyLink to connect SC17 to research and education networks around the world,” said Bob Jandro, Senior Vice President, Worldwide Sales at Infinera. “Infinera connects research and education networks that push the boundaries of computing with optical networking platforms that deliver industry-leading performance in an easy-to-use, compact footprint.”

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About CenturyLink

CenturyLink (NYSE: CTL) is the second largest U.S. communications provider to global enterprise customers. With customers in more than 60 countries and an intense focus on the customer experience, CenturyLink strives to be the world's best networking company by solving customers' increased demand for reliable and secure connections. The company also serves as its customers' trusted partner, helping them manage increased network and IT complexity and providing managed network and cyber security solutions that help protect their business.

About Infinera

Infinera (NASDAQ: INFN) provides Intelligent Transport Networks, enabling carriers, cloud operators, governments and enterprises to scale network bandwidth, accelerate service innovation and automate optical network operations. Infinera's end-to-end packet-optical portfolio is designed for long-haul, subsea, data center interconnect and metro applications. Infinera's unique large scale photonic integrated circuits enable innovative optical networking solutions for the most demanding networks. To learn more about Infinera visit www.infinera.com, follow us on Twitter @Infinera and read our latest blog posts at blog.infinera.com.

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