

Press Release

Athens, Greece - Luxembourg, June 15.06.2013: Forthnet becomes the first Greek Internet Service Provider that reports 10% of its subscribers accessing the Internet over IPv6. Forthnet has demonstrated that large scale IPv6 deployment can be successfully realized with proper planning and without any negative impact to provided customer services. Today, as measured by Forthnet's internal business analytic tools (also verified via RIPE IPv6 Readiness initiative), more than one out of 10 subscribers use IPv6 to communicate over the Internet without experiencing any service disruption during the recent large-scale deployment phases.

Forthnet launched the first IPv6 pilot for broadband subscribers at the World IPv6 Day and successfully demonstrated IPv6 streaming. Last year, at the World IPv6 Launch Day, IPv6 services (opt-in) were introduced to retail subscribers accessing the production network. Since 1st of April 2013, Forthnet started gradually enabling IPv6 to all the customers using IPv6-ready CPEs (models shipped since 2011) using internal remote management capabilities. In addition, as reported to the 5th annual meeting of the Hellenic IPv6 Task Force (HTFv6), almost 2% of total traffic is now being delivered over IPv6.

“The 6th of June marks the end of phase one in Forthnet IPv6 transition journey during which we enabled a significant portion of our subscribers to access the Internet using the new protocol. Phase two is already planned and we hope to see more customers connected and new innovative services to be introduced by the end of this year”, as stressed by Anastasios Chatzithomaoglou, Manager of IP Engineering.

"Forthnet is among the top 10 IPv6-enabled ISPs in the world that have crossed the 10% mark of IPv6 enabled users which is 10 times the world average, obviously achieving today the number 1 position in Hellas. This testifies of a front-runner and pioneering work from within the core group of the Hellenic IPv6 Task Force driving the concrete vision of modernization of the Hellenic Internet infrastructure" says Latif Ladid, President of the [International IPv6 Forum](#),

About Forthnet

Forthnet S.A. is a member of the Forthnet Group, the largest private provider of broadband and subscriber TV services in Greece today. It operates in the telecom sector offering an extensive portfolio of services meeting all the telecommunications needs of households, SMEs or large organisations.

The Forthnet IPv6 web site is available on <http://ipv6.forthnet.gr>.

About IPv6 Forum

The IPv6 Forum is a world-wide consortium of worldwide leading Internet vendors, Industry Subject Matter Experts, Research & Education Networks, with a clear mission to advocate IPv6 by dramatically improving technology, market, and deployment user and industry awareness of IPv6, creating a quality and secure new Generation Internet and allowing world-wide equitable access to knowledge and technology, embracing a moral responsibility to the world.