

Ekinops secures Remote Working with SD-WAN Home Office Connect

16 November – EKinOPS (Euronext Paris - FR0011466069 – EKI), a leading supplier of optical transport and enterprise connectivity solutions, today announces the launch of SD-WAN Home Office Connect, a compact networking solution tailored to support enterprises in overcoming the performance, security and legal challenges of managing remote working.

Utilizing Ekinops' SD-WAN Xpress embedded in an employee-dedicated Ekinops router, enterprises can establish a secure remote VPN connection from the employee's location to the branch office. Combining broadband LTE and WiFi connectivity, the solution maximizes the power of the existing enterprise infrastructure to deliver the same connectivity speed, security and efficiency as onsite. Highly programmable, the solution isolates business traffic from personal traffic, enabling corporate rules and applications to be applied to remote connections, without affecting worker privacy. This also allows enterprises to consider a more permanent move to a remote working model and benefit from the cost savings of not managing a physical office space.

The SD-WAN Home Office Connect launch responds to increased demand for remote working connectivity solutions following the global pandemic and worldwide lockdown measures. A Gartner Inc. survey of 229 HR leaders in April 2020 revealed that nearly 50% of organizations reported 81% or more of their employees are working remotely during the coronavirus pandemic and it is now predicted that 25-30% of the workforce will be working-from-home multiple days a week by the end of 2021, according to research by Global Workplace Analytics.

"In recent months, companies across the globe have faced the sudden challenge of remotely connecting their employees quickly and securely. But since flexible working has been a rising trend for well over a decade now, service providers and enterprises alike need a robust, cost-effective and simple solution to support remote connectivity long term," comments **Marc Bouteyre, Head of Virtualization at Ekinops**.

"Many remote workers have experienced performance challenges due to their low-grade WiFi at home and the continuous mix of personal and business traffic. Equally, many enterprises have been feeling the increased business security risks, left at the mercy of their employees' network security at home. Our new solution caters to these needs and ensures that connectivity issues are ironed out for remote workers and enterprises alike," adds **Bouteyre**.

SD-WAN Home Office Connect is based on Ekinops OneOS6, a user-friendly modular software solution that enables a range of built-in services to be activated remotely and on-demand to empower automation and greater programmability.

Combining years of enterprise access expertise with the flexibility of SD-WAN, the SD-WAN Home Office Connect extends the reach of the enterprise network to adapt to this more distributed model, guarantying seamless security and performance and offering an all-in-one answer to networking challenges.

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About Ekinops

Ekinops is a leading provider of open and fully interoperable Layer 1, 2 and 3 solutions to service providers around the world. Our programmable and highly scalable solutions enable the fast, flexible and cost-effective deployment of new services for both high-speed, high-capacity optical transport as well as virtualization-enabled managed enterprise services.

Our product portfolio consists of three highly complementary product and service sets: Ekinops 360, OneAccess and Compose.

Ekinops 360 provides optical transport solutions for metro, regional and long-distance networks with WDM for high-capacity point-to-point, ring and optical mesh architectures, and OTN for improved bandwidth utilization and efficient multi-service aggregation.

OneAccess offers a wide choice of physical and virtualized deployment options for Layer 2 and Layer 3 access network functions.

Compose supports service providers in making their networks software-defined with a variety of software management tools and services, including the scalable SD-WAN Xpress.

As service providers embrace SDN and NFV deployment models, Ekinops enables future-proofed deployment today, enabling operators to seamlessly migrate to an open, virtualized delivery model at a time of their choosing.

A global organization, Ekinops (EKI) - a public company traded on the Euronext Paris exchange - is headquartered in Lannion, France, and Ekinops Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary, is incorporated in the USA.

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