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Silicon-to-Photonics Routing Pioneer, Compass-EOS, Joins the Georgia Technology Center (GTC)

***Compass-EOS routers to become part of one of the world's first SDN-based
Internet Exchanges***

ATLANTA, December 10, 2013 – The [Georgia Technology Center \(GTC\)](#), a live laboratory for network equipment vendors to demonstrate their networking hardware and software, located in [Colo Atl's](#) Atlanta facility, is pleased to announce that [Compass-EOS](#), the world's first silicon-to-photonics router company, is its newest member. The [Compass-EOS r10004 Router](#) will be deployed in the Colo Atl facility, which is home to both the GTC and the [Southeast Network Access Point \(SNAP\)](#), a software-defined networking (SDN)-based Internet exchange capable of delivering secure and simplified peering solutions.

As a member of the GTC, Compass-EOS will demonstrate its leadership in advanced networking and routing technologies to local, national and global network operators within the growing GTC community. Membership in the GTC also aligns Compass-EOS within the research and education community, as many of the founding members of the GTC have roots in this market space. SNAP was established through the support of its founding members, which include the Georgia Institute of Technology, GENI, US Ignite, Southern Light Rail, and PeachNet. Through the GTC, SNAP enables network equipment vendors to interoperate and test SDN traffic across multiple vendors' equipment.

"The Compass-EOS r10004 is a technological game-changer; there is no question about that," said [Tim Kiser](#), Owner and Founder of GTC parent company, Colo Atl. "Compass-EOS' icPhotonics optical interconnect fundamentally changes the way routers are built and how peering services are delivered. The company represents the technological advances that make GTC members among the most innovative in the industry. We are thrilled to welcome Compass-EOS to the Georgia Technology Center."

Compass-EOS' high-capacity r10004 router simplifies the deployment, operation, and scaling of service provider networks. Each r10004 can serve as a modular router building block for the

deployment of scale-out routing, enabling software-defined networking (SDN) and other approaches such as network function virtualization (NFV).

“The GTC is a forward-thinking technology research, development and deployment facility, and its community boasts some of the most creative and inventive minds in the industry,” said Manouch Khezri, General Manager North America for Compass-EOS. “Our ground-breaking technology and leadership is an ideal fit for the GTC’s objectives. We look forward to working with the GTC.”

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About Georgia Technology Center (GTC)

The Georgia Technology Center (GTC) is a live laboratory for network equipment vendors to highlight their optical and electrical hardware and operating systems. The GTC was created and engineered to promote interoperability testing, live customer trials and demonstrations for equipment vendors within a secure, densely populated and active Meet Me Room. Membership in the GTC is open to all Layer 1, 2 and 3 equipment vendors. Members can utilize the GTC’s conference facility to host presentations for current and prospective clients as well as take advantage of introductions to the network operators through the GTC community. The GTC is located within the Colo Atl Meet Me Room facility at 55 Marietta Street in Atlanta, Georgia. Network equipment vendors interested in becoming a GTC Member should email: info@georgiatechnologycenter.com or visit us online at: www.georgiatechnologycenter.com and follow us on Twitter [@GTC_Atl](https://twitter.com/GTC_Atl).

About Colo Atl

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About Compass-EOS

Compass EOS is a next-generation routing company. Its photonic backplane technology, icPhotonics, powers ultra-bandwidth dense routers that bring networking into the age of modularity and virtualization. The Compass-EOS icPhotonics technology is the world’s first commercial silicon for inter-chip optical interconnect. Its family of carrier-grade routers is a new breed of scale-out routers, enabling SDN-based, simplified architectures in service provider networks. Since 2006 Compass has attracted top-tier investors ranging from leading venture capital funds to service providers and networking suppliers.

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