

Hantro Paves the Way for Microsoft Silverlight in Mobile Devices

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Oulu, Finland - Hantro, the market leader for wireless video IP, announces the support for Microsoft Silverlight. Recently announced Silverlight is a cross-browser, cross-platform plug-in for next generation rich media applications for the web. Silverlight video is based on Windows Media Video (WMV), Microsoft's implementation of VC-1 video standard, and enables interactive video experiences even up to HD resolution.

"Microsoft Silverlight is an exciting new technology for the growing web video markets." says Eero Kaikkonen, CEO of Hantro Products Oy. "Hantro has been shipping low power consumption hardware VC-1 video IP products to the leading wireless semiconductor vendors since early 2006. We're pleased to say that many of our customers already have undoubtedly the best technology for enabling Silverlight in mobile devices."

Hantro's latest configurable hardware video IP, the 7190 Multi-format decoder, supports VC-1 video decoding up to 720p, 30fps. Optimized hardware design allows the IP core to run at an ultra low clock frequency, leading to very low power consumption, crucial for any chipset targeted for wireless handsets. Pure hardware implementation clearly outperforms all software video implementations including dedicated DSP video solutions.