Offer to Host

May 2016, Dates TBD

IEEE P802.3 Interim Session

North America
Hosted by the Ethernet Alliance
Our Mission

- We are dedicated to growing Ethernet technology
  - Expanding the Ethernet ecosystem
  - Supporting Ethernet development through standards
  - Promoting Ethernet in both existing and emerging markets

- In 2012 we began supporting our mission by acting as an IEEE meeting host

- We want to continue serving the 802 standards effort by continuing to host May Interim meetings for 802.3
Interim Highlights

- We will provide:
  - Comfortable venue conducive to TF & SG work
  - Competitive hotel guest room rates
  - Affordable meeting fees
  - Possible special event (schedule permitting)

- Meeting planning is ongoing
  - Meeting planner Lynn Kennedy, who is working now on arrangements for the Ethernet Alliance-hosted May 2015 Joint Interim (approved in July 2013), will source a venue for 2016 during the coming year
Hotel Highlights

- The meeting venue will comfortably accommodate 250-300 attendees, and the growing number of task forces/study groups.
- Targeted guest room rate is $159, not to exceed $199.
  - We strive to avoid additional fees, and include as many perks as possible in the group rate.
Meeting Fees

- The early registration fee will not exceed $350
  - The late registration fee, and fee for attendees who do not stay at the designated meeting hotel, will be higher

- The meeting fee, along with contributions from the Ethernet Alliance, will fund:
  - Meeting room rental
  - Continental breakfast and morning and afternoon breaks
  - AV support in all meeting rooms
  - Wireless network in all meeting rooms
  - Meeting planning and support
Potential Locations

- We will identify a property in North America that offers the best accommodations for the group during the designated week.
- Possible destinations include:
  - Vancouver or other Pacific Northwest city
  - Long Beach or other Los Angeles area location
  - Denver
  - Additional “2nd tier” cities
- When evaluating locations we consider:
  - Accessibility
  - Ambience
  - Weather
  - Value
  - Locations of other scheduled meetings
Planning Process

- Sourcing venues for 250+ attendees and multiple large meeting rooms is a significant undertaking
  - To request detailed proposals from properties that can accommodate the growing group, and provide the best value to attendees, we must have your agreement to participate this week
- Interim dates will be those requested by 802.3 leadership
  - We will seek destination approval from group leadership before finalizing contract with venue
- Meeting registration and hotel reservations for the May 2106 meeting will be open to attendees no later than March 2016, and we will strive to announce final details earlier
- Related note: Update on May 2015 Joint Interim
  - We announced Pittsburgh, PA, venue in September, and anticipate opening registration in January 2015
  - The Interim is scheduled the week of May 18th 2015
History and Experience

- **Ethernet Alliance hosting history**
  - January 2012, Newport Beach, California (802.3)
  - May 2013, Victoria, BC, Canada (802.1/802.3)
  - May 2014, Norfolk, Virginia (802.1/802.3)
  - Attendees praised venues, hospitality and value
  - The same team planned the events

- **Our planner has facilitated numerous successful 802.3 Interims across North America**
  - Chicago, IL (2009 and 2011)
  - Quebec City, Canada (2009)
  - Chandler, AZ (2006)
  - Knoxville, KY (2006)
  - Minneapolis, MN (2012)
Next Steps

- We hope that IEEE 802.3 will accept this invitation for an Ethernet Alliance-hosted interim in May 2016

- We look forward to your firm decision this week