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## XILINX WINS ENGINEERING CONSORTIUM AWARD FOR DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNET RECONFIGURABLE LOGIC

SAN JOSE, Calif., May 25, 1999—Citing market impact and customer benefit, the International Engineering Consortium has selected the Internet Reconfigurable Logic system from Xilinx, Inc. (NASDAQ:XLNX) as a winner of the organization's 1999 InfoVision Award. Xilinx won for the Internet category and will be recognized with other winners at an award ceremony in October in Chicago during the National Communications Forum, a networking and communications conference.

The InfoVision award marks the second time Xilinx has won worldwide recognition for Internet Reconfigurable Logic (IRL) since it was unveiled last November. *Electronique International Hebdo*, the Paris-based weekly newspaper for the electronics business in France, chose the IRL methodology as the top technical achievement in the semiconductor industry for 1998.

The IRL methodology combines computer networks, the Java programming language and the new Xilinx Virtex field programmable gate arrays (FPGAs) to create a new class of electronic equipment that can be fixed, modified or updated after installation at the end user's premises. These Xilinx Online field upgradable applications can range from multi-use set-top boxes and wireless telephone cellular base stations to satellite communication systems.

In related news, Xilinx today announced the availability of tools to help customers design Xilinx Online applications that are based on the IRL methodology. The company also announced an expanded network of expert consulting firms that will offer services to assist in the development of Xilinx Online applications, as well as customers actively involved in Xilinx Online applications.

"This exciting technology has clearly resonated with the design engineering community," said Xilinx president and CEO Wim Roelandts. "Since we announced our unique approach for expanding the reach of programmable logic, there has been a growing interest in this exciting technology. IRL is the backbone for creating Xilinx Online field upgradable applications, and we expect these new products to provide tremendous new levels of flexibility for our customers' customers."

The International Engineering Consortium (IEC) is a cooperative, public service organization dedicated to positive change in the information industry and university communities. For more than fifty years, the IEC has provided educational opportunities for industry professionals, university professors, and promising students. Executives from throughout the industry continue to build strong business and technical foundations for the future through knowledge gained from IEC forums and publications.

This marks the third year the IEC has used the InfoVision awards to recognize the industry's most original products based on innovation, uniqueness, market impact, customer benefit, and value to society.

Xilinx is the leading innovator of complete programmable logic solutions, including advanced integrated circuits, software design tools, predefined system functions delivered as cores, and unparalleled field engineering support. Founded in 1984 and headquartered in San Jose, Calif., Xilinx invented the field programmable gate array (FPGA) and commands more than half of the world market for these devices today. Xilinx solutions enable customers to reduce significantly the time required to develop products for the computer, peripheral, telecommunications, networking, industrial control, instrumentation, high-reliability/military, and consumer markets. For more information, visit the Xilinx web site at www.xilinx.com.

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