

WHAT'S new:

Digium® the Asterisk® Company

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AstriCon.



Have you caught Asterisk® fever? Would you like to know what the newest rage is with Asterisk? Or the hottest business application? Then AstriCon™ is the place you need to be! AstriCon is the official conference for the wildly popular Asterisk PBX and telephony platform. The conference includes a wealth of information whether you are getting started with Asterisk or have already discovered the power. AstriCon is also the meeting place for the Asterisk community, a diverse group of users, developers, entrepreneurs and other fans.

While we are returning to the Phoenix area, this year's show is in a high rise facility next door to the Westgate Entertainment district. In Westgate, you will find 14 shops, 18 restaurants and various entertainments. The hotel itself is a gorgeous high rise attached to the convention center and has over 95,000 square feet of meeting space and 320 sleeping rooms! Surrounded by spas, restaurants, shopping and entertainment, you will not be disappointed with the gorgeous rooms and extra activities for when you are not immersed in Asterisk code.

Additionally, the conference itself has been re-organized. We've shortened the overall days while expanding our exhibit hall hours! The Code Zone will be open for most of the conference day as well.

Visit www.astricon.net to register and obtain information on exhibiting or becoming a sponsor of the event.

The Conference

Our mission is to expand awareness and knowledge of Asterisk. With 3 days of conference material available, including pre-show, tutorial tracks and general session, you won't be disappointed with the excellent amount of knowledge you will gain.

The Exhibition

Asterisk, more than any other open source project, has inspired the entrepreneurial spirit. Dozens of products have been based on the Asterisk code and hundreds of products and services have been created to expand on the power of Asterisk. The AstriCon exhibit hall brings together the leading products from a wide range of categories: endpoints (phones), gateway hardware (cards and standalone devices), software add-ons, embedded solutions, and Internet telephony services.

The Meeting Place

Nowhere will you find a greater mix of individuals. From code gurus to venture capitalists to social activists, AstriCon brings together an astounding and vibrant mixture of perspectives, goals, and outlooks. From organized group meetings, to all-night coding sessions in the Code Zone, AstriCon is the place to connect with the Asterisk Community.

COME TO ASTRICON 2008 & HAVE A BALL!

OTHER DIGIUM EVENTS IN 2008

Internet Telephony West

September 16-18, 2008

Los Angeles, California — USA

Broadsoft Connections

October 5-8, 2008

Phoenix, Arizona — USA

VoiceCon San Francisco

November 10-13, 2008

San Francisco, California — USA

A COMPLETE SWITCHVOX™ & APPLIANCE FAMILY

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- Josh Stephens, General Manager of Digium's San Diego Operations

Digium®, Inc., the Asterisk® Company, recently announced that it has executed on the initial planned build-out of the Switchvox™ appliance family with the release of the Digium|Switchvox AA300 appliance. The new product, a flexible, easy-to-use IP PBX, gives companies with up to 150 users a turnkey business telephone solution based on Asterisk software. It is the latest offering from Digium following that company's Fall 2007 acquisition of Switchvox. The AA300 is backed by Digium's Exceptional Satisfaction Program (ESP) guarantee. Digium has also recently delivered two other Switchvox appliances, a free, downloadable version of the Switchvox IP PBX software, and a combined reseller program.

Digium created and is the driving force behind the open source Asterisk telephony project and Switchvox is the most widely used IP PBX based on Asterisk. Last year, Digium acquired Switchvox and has quickly integrated the two companies' offerings to provide customers with a wide range of options for benefitting from the power, flexibility, and feature set enabled by Asterisk. By implementing Switchvox software on Digium appliances, customers now have the ease of use and rich feature set of Switchvox, plus the reliability and convenience of appliances. The Digium|Switchvox appliance family provides options for businesses with up to 400 users, plus an easy upgrade path for growing companies, a money-back guarantee, and subscriptions for professional support and maintenance.

“The integration of Switchvox into Digium has moved ahead quickly, and the AA300 with SMB 3.5 software is the latest result of our continuing progress,” said Joshua Stephens, Digium's General Manager, San Diego Operations. “Customers and our channel partners are benefitting from the rapid delivery of Switchvox on appliances that can be up and running supporting calls just about as soon as they come out of the box, and that can be easily upgraded as customers need more features or add users. The result of all our work is more options for customers that let them get rid of expensive phone systems, yet keep all the functionality of a PBX designed for the largest businesses.”

Highlights of the new Digium®|Switchvox™ AA300 include:

- Full coverage by the Digium Exceptional Satisfaction Program, the strongest guarantee in open source telephony, which gives customers their money back if the product is defective or fails to perform as described.
- VoIP ready—No extra hardware is necessary to connect to SIP or IAX voice over IP trunks.
- A standard one-year warranty and optional three-year warranty. Support for analog and T1/E1 interfaces gives customers flexibility in working with their existing network.
- A choice of three subscription plans to suit every company's support and service needs.

A Switchvox™ IP PBX for Every Company

Digium|Switchvox appliances are now available on three systems that provide a fit for a wide range of companies:

AA60

The AA60 appliance, which features Switchvox SOHO or Switchvox SMB, supports up to 30 users and is ideal for demanding small offices or home offices that need a professional phone system in a small form factor.



AA300

The AA300 appliance, which features Switchvox SMB, supports up to 150 users and is ideal for medium-sized businesses that want the power of a server-class PBX. The AA300 is a medium-sized appliance that can be used on a tabletop or in a rack. It supports up to 150 users and up to 45 simultaneous calls. It also supports up to 10 recorded calls and up to 15 simultaneous conference calls.



AA350

The AA350 appliance, which features Switchvox SMB, supports up to 400 users and is a redundant rack-mount server that is ideal for larger customers that want the highest level of performance and peace of mind.



More information on the entire Switchvox appliance family, visit www.digium.com/switchvox.

DIGIUM® EXPANDS EXECUTIVE TEAM!

Networking industry veteran Leslie Conway brings 20 years of experience in marketing and channel development to Digium®.

Digium®, Inc., the Asterisk® Company, has recently announced that Leslie Conway has joined the company as vice president of global marketing. Conway comes to Digium from networking and communications equipment leader ADTRAN, where she was vice president of global marketing for the Enterprise Division. At Digium, she will head up all marketing activity, as well as work with the company's channel partners to build a world-class channel for Digium's Asterisk-based solutions.

Conway spent 17 years at ADTRAN. Previous to her role as vice president, she served in senior positions responsible for product marketing, product management, and distribution sales as well as pre-sales technical support and training. Prior to joining ADTRAN, Conway worked as a product manager at Intergraph Corporation and as a design engineer for General Electric. She holds a bachelor's degree in electrical and computer engineering, a master's degree in management, and a master's degree in business administration. Conway was recognized by ChannelWeb as one of last year's 50 Most Powerful Women of the Channel.

"The addition of Leslie Conway will allow Digium to continue to build upon its leadership position in this disruptive and growing market segment, and we are pleased that she's chosen to join our team."

- Danny Windham, Digium® CEO



Conway takes over marketing from Bill Miller, who had been responsible for both marketing and product management. Miller will now focus exclusively on managing Digium's expanding product line, including all of the company's hardware, software and appliance families, technology partners, and expanding Digium's open source Asterisk community.

"Over the past year, Digium has substantially broadened its product offerings and signed on more than 300 channel partners," said Danny Windham, CEO of Digium. "The market for products and services based upon open source telephony, and specifically Asterisk-based solutions, is gaining momentum worldwide."

THE DIGIUM DIFFERENCE

Since 2001, Digium® has designed, manufactured, and sold PC-based telephony cards for extending the functionality of Asterisk®. As the popularity of Asterisk has grown, other companies have sold their own PC-based telephony cards. So, with the variety available, why should one choose a Digium telephony card? The reason is what we like to call the "Digium Difference":

Here are the five primary reasons we believe the products you get from Digium are superior:

- Digium Wrote the Drivers
- Digium is the Author of Asterisk
- Digium Offers Single-port Modules
- Digium Offers Modular Hardware-based Echo Cancellation
- Digium Cards Outperform the Rest

Would you like to find out more about the "Digium Difference"?

Visit https://www.digium.com/en/docs/misc/digium_difference.php to download the white paper "High Quality Analog Interface Cards for Use with Asterisk®" written by Digium Product Manager Malcolm Davenport. You're sure to understand how Digium, who has sold over 4 million ports, is the leader in telephony cards.



ASTERISK® COURSES & TRAINING

**Asterisk® Bootcamp:
A 5-day Ultra-Intensive Course**

August 4 - 8, 2008
Johannesburg, South Africa

August 11 - 15, 2008
Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

August 11 - 16, 2008
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

August 18 - 22, 2008
Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

August 25 - 29, 2008
Caracas, Venezuela

September 15 - 19, 2008
Paris, France

September 15 - 19, 2008
London, UK

September 22 - 26, 2008
Lisbon, Portugal

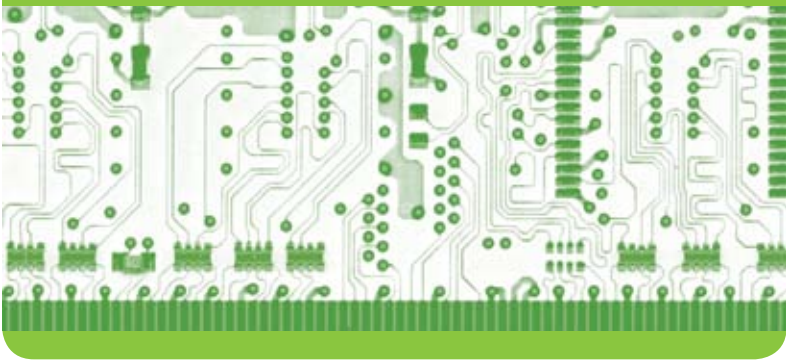
October 7 - 10, 2008
Huntsville, Alabama, USA

November 10 - 14, 2008
Geneva, Switzerland

November 17 - 21, 2008
Melbourne, Victoria

Classes are periodically added throughout the year. Please check the Digium® website for a complete and up-to-date list.

www.digium.com/en/training



ZAPTEL PROJECT BEING renamed TO DAHDI

BY KEVIN FLEMING,
DIRECTOR OF SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGIES

Approximately two years ago, the owner of the trademark 'ZapTel' (for telephony purposes) contacted Digium and notified us that the name was in fact trademarked. His company owns the ZapTel trademark and sells telephone calling cards, and would prefer that Internet searches for 'Zaptel cards' not return products unrelated to their trademark.

In an effort to rectify this situation, since that time we have had many discussions internally at Digium about what we should do, including ensuring that any new name we chose would be something that was available to be trademarked (as Asterisk is), so that we wouldn't have a recurrence of this situation. The owner of the trademark has been very accommodating as we worked through this process, but it is now time for us to take action.

Beginning immediately, we are going to work on renaming Zaptel to DAHDI, which stands for Digium Asterisk Hardware Device Interface. When DAHDI 2.0.0 (the first version) is released, it will contain nearly all the functionality of Zaptel 1.4, except for Linux kernel 2.4 support, devfs support, and drivers for some very outdated (and no longer available) Digium hardware (torisa and wusb). Zaptel 1.2 will continue to be released in new versions as bugs are found and fixed, but when DAHDI 2.0.0 is released there will be no more releases of Zaptel 1.4.

Asterisk 1.6.0 will use DAHDI exclusively (it will not have support for Zaptel), although this will be done in a highly backwards-compatible way so that disruption to existing dialplans and configurations will be minimized.

Asterisk 1.4 will continue to have support for Zaptel, although it will be enhanced to also transparently support DAHDI instead, and the documentation (and default configuration files) will encourage new users to use DAHDI instead of Zaptel.

Asterisk 1.2 will be unaffected by these changes.

It is unfortunate that all of us have to bear the inconvenience of this change, but we will try to ensure that it is as easy for users to switch from Zaptel to DAHDI as we can make it.

For continuing updates on this process, including additional upgrade notes and other information, please monitor the page at:

<http://www.asterisk.org/zaptel-to-dahdi>

TOOTING OUR OWN HORN!



Searchnetworking.com
Product Leadership Award - Silver
Asterisk® - 2008



Internet Telephony East
Best of Open Source
Digium® - 2008



InfoWorld
Technology of the Year Award
Asterisk® 1.4 - 2008



CRN
Tech Innovators Award
Switchvox™ SMB 3.0 - 2008



TMC
**Unified Communications
Product of the Year Award**
Switchvox™ SMB 3.0 - 2007



InfoWorld
Best of Open Source VoIP Winner
Asterisk® - 2007



Internet Telephony
Excellence Award
Asterisk Business Edition™ - 2007



Internet Telephony East
Best of Show: Most Innovative
AsteriskNOW™ - 2007

On June 24th, 2008 Digium® announced

DELIVERY OF ITS 4 MILLIONTH PORT!!

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of growth & profitability.

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