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## Germany's Largest LAN Gaming Event Powered by Extreme Networks

### NorthCon in Germany lures 2,500 intensive gamers for 'all-out' competition

SANTA CLARA, Calif., Dec. 17, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Extreme Networks, Inc. (Nasdaq: EXTR) today announced that it is continuing its tradition of supporting leading gaming events as a Gold Level sponsor of NorthCon 2012, Germany's largest gaming and computer festival, where the company worked with its partner Innovalan to provide the high speed backbone network. At the NorthCon LANparty, 2,500 gamers met to play and compete on a state of the art high performance Ethernet LAN with full gigabit connections to many of the gaming systems and 10GbE for interconnects and the network backbone.

NorthCon hosts a multi-day video gaming tournament near Hamburg, held at the "NorthCon eSport arena that attracts international attention from leading players and teams who will play the world's most exciting titles, such as Counter-Strike: Global Offensive and League of Legends.

**The LAN Party** requires an ultra-fast and reliable network and Extreme Networks purple Ethernet gear has successfully delivered the network. At NorthCon, the network team deployed Extreme Networks award-winning **BlackDiamond® 8810** chassis switch to provide an ample number of high-speed Gigabit and 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports, with the resiliency, high availability and low ping times that these intensive gamers require. An impressive Gigabit connection to the outside Internet allows others to join the action.

"Extreme Networks is a first class choice to support the NorthCon gaming event in 2012," said Marco Grimm of Innovalan, a leading solutions integrator. "High bandwidth, extreme reliability and low latency associated with Extreme Network switches have all been essential for a temporary network of this size and scale."

"Fun, excitement and fast connectivity is what Extreme Networks is all about and why we were so thrilled to assist NorthCon with this intense gaming event," said David Ginsburg, CMO of Extreme Networks. "Just like the gamers, we love meeting the challenge of nonstop action powering thousands of users all at once."

#### About Extreme Networks

Extreme Networks is a technology leader in high-performance Ethernet switching for cloud, data center and mobile networks. Based in Santa Clara, CA, Extreme Networks has more than 6,000 customers in more than 50 countries. For more information, visit the company's website at <http://www.extremenetworks.com>.

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