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Meyer Sound CAL Becomes First AVnu-Certified AVB Loudspeaker

Meyer Sound has announced that its CALTM column array loudspeakers are the first loudspeaker products to receive the AVnu certification by AVnu Alliance, the industry consortium that certifies Audio Video Bridging (AVB) devices for interoperability. This certification is the global seal given to devices that have implemented the IEEE AVB standards and passed AVnu Alliance's rigorous testing for interoperability and compliance. CAL can be heard live at the Meyer Sound stand at the 2015 ISE trade show in Amsterdam.

CAL is widely recognized for setting a new standard for coverage control and sonic precision in steerable column arrays. Now with the AVnu certification, CAL provides seamless interoperability with AVnu-certified AVB devices from other vendors to simplify network implementation for the user, while offering numerous advantages of the open IEEE AVB standards

For specifiers and integrators, CAL with AVnu-certified AVB streamlines the network infrastructure by combining audio signal transmission with system control and monitoring using industry-standard structured cabling such as CAT5e and CAT6. This introduces unprecedented time and cost savings compared to traditional analog and digital signal distribution, while significantly simplifying network implementation and future reconfiguration. In addition, AVB eliminates shortcomings in legacy proprietary networking solutions and provides precise timing synchronization with guaranteed bandwidth.

"Meyer Sound embraces technology that yields superior audio performance and operating simplicity for our customers," says Luke Jenks, director of product management at the company. "By aggressively addressing the issue of interoperability through AVnu certification, we have taken an important step to help customers create end-to-end AV networks that are easier to plan and less costly to install."

The AVnu certification program is conducted by the University of New Hampshire InterOperability Laboratory (UNH-IOL), a third-party testing house that has also worked with the Wi-Fi Alliance and other industry consortia. Other products that have received

AVnu certification include the AVB hardware and software reference platform from XMOS, switches from Extreme Networks, and more.

Heard in world-class venues such as California Memorial Stadium, the NFL Carolina Panthers' Bank of America Stadium, Musikverein in Austria, and Konzerthaus Berlin, CAL is designed to introduce high vocal clarity in even the most reverberant environments and provide exceptional headroom for music and speech reinforcement. It is offered in three models, each with different power capabilities. All drivers are tight-packed and are individually amplified and processed. CAL's vertical beam can be angled up or down in one-degree increments up to 30 degrees, while the CAL 64 and CAL 96 models also include beam-splitting capabilities.

ABOUT MEYER SOUND

Family owned and operated since 1979, Meyer Sound Laboratories, Inc. designs and manufactures high-quality, self-powered sound reinforcement loudspeakers, digital audio systems, passive and active acoustic systems, cinema sound systems, and sound measurement tools for the professional audio industry. Founded by John and Helen Meyer, the company has grown to become a leading worldwide supplier of systems for theatres, arenas, stadiums, theme parks, convention centers, houses of worship, and touring concert sound rental operations. Meyer Sound's main office and manufacturing facility are located in Berkeley, California, with field offices and authorized distributors located throughout the USA and around the world. Meyer Sound is a registered trademark of Meyer Sound Laboratories, Inc. All rights reserved.

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