

## **Extending Trunks in a Simple Manner: MICROSENS Expands Product Portfolio by 10 Gigabit Ethernet Copper-to-Fiber-Optic Media Converters**

Hamm, 06 April 2016 – Distances of more than 100 metres in a 10 Gigabit Ethernet network cannot be bridged, even with Cat-7 copper cabling. The new 10 Gigabit Ethernet media converter of MICROSENS GmbH & Co. KG remedies this length restriction in a simple and cost-effective manner. The compact stand-alone device comes with an RJ-45 access with a 10GBase-T as well as an SFP+ slot, which can be equipped with a corresponding fiber optic transceiver, where required. Modules are available for mono-mode as well as multi-mode operation. In mono-mode operation, the trunk can be extended from 100 metres to up to 80 kilometres.

High-performance computers or servers with 10GBase-T interfaces can be interconnected with the 10G media converter via fiber optic. High-speed access ports, for which a Gigabit Ethernet uplink is no longer sufficient, can be integrated into a fiber optic network via plug-and-play with the help of the media converter. In addition, the media converter is also suited for the deployment in virtualized data centers: Here, the networking principle "Top-of-Rack (ToR)" is frequently applied. In this scenario, a switch which is installed on a rack connects the servers, storage media, and other data center media with top speed. When using a copper connection, however, the components must not be farther away from each other than maximally 100 meters. In this application scenario, the length restriction can again be bypassed via the implementation of copper on fiber optic by means of the MICROSENS media converter.

The SFP+ slot of the stand-alone system offers a particularly high degree of flexibility: Depending on the type of fiber optic transmission, different transceivers are available, which can be deployed quickly and easily. The two transmission media copper and fiber optic can, thus, be combined in corporate networks according to the individual requirements at hand. To be able to also increase the bandwidth of the fiber optic trunk on demand, the media converter can also be used in combination with CWDM or DWDM applications.

Based on the 3R signal regeneration (Reamplification, Reshaping, Retiming), the MICROSENS system can also be used as a fiber optic repeater for long trunks. Overall, it is marked by short processing times and supports the transmission of Jumbo frames. The stand-alone device is equipped with a built-in 230 V/AC power supply unit and can be commissioned directly without much configuration effort. Color-encoded LEDs show the current status of the converter for the purpose of simple troubleshooting. The media converter is available as of now.

For further information, please see the website of the vendor at [www.microsens.com](http://www.microsens.com)

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