intoPIX Demonstrates First TICO Lightweight Compression Technology Running on FPGA Hardware at NAB 2014

BELGIUM, Mont-Saint-Guibert - At the upcoming NAB show, intoPIX (booth C5243) is showcasing the world first hardware implementation of the TICO patent-pending lightweight disruptive compression technology running on FPGA. Without any usage of external memory and an incredibly low footprint, TICO FPGA IP-cores provide a lightweight visually lossless compression up to 4:1, with a fixed latency of few pixel lines. This new advanced image and video compression algorithm is designed to efficiently and invisibly tackle important cost and bandwidth challenges faced by our industry.

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The first ultra-low-footprint encoder and decoder that will be presented at NAB (IPX-TC-UHD4K) will compress any resolutions from HD up 4K resolution at 60 FPS with lossless visual quality up to 4:1 at a maximum latency of 8 pixel lines. A second lightweight IP-core version will perform a mathematically lossless video frame buffer compression-decompression (IPX-TC-MLS): given that image resolutions continue to increase and more image data need to be transferred, bandwidth reduction is becoming a very important issue in video processing.

The NAB demonstrations features a Xilinx Kintex-7 board and an Altera Cyclone V board running the current FPGA development of the TICO technology. intoPIX welcomes everybody at its booth to discover the new TICO compression and enjoy the first FPGA and technology demos.
About intoPIX

intoPIX is a leading supplier of video and image compression technology to audiovisual equipment manufacturers. We are passionate about offering people a higher quality image experience and have developed FPGA IP-cores and solutions that enable leading-edge video and image compression, security and hardware enforcement. More about TICO compression can be found on www.intopix.com/TICO.

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