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**The SDR Forum Announces Board Appointments of
Claude Bélisle and Eric Christensen at General Meeting**

Dearborn, Mich., 16 June 2009 – [The SDR Forum](#)[™], a non-profit member consortium dedicated to promoting the success of next generation radio technologies, announced at its 63rd General Meeting in Dearborn, Michigan the appointment of Claude Bélisle as Chair of the Technical Committee and of Eric Christiansen on the Board of Director, representing the Large Companies.

Claude Bélisle has been appointed Chair of the Technical Committee by The SDR Forum Board of Directors. Mr. Bélisle, a long standing Director of the SDR Forum and chair of the SCA Working Group, is the Vice-President of the Satellite Communications and Radio Propagation research branch of the Communications Research Centre Canada. Mr. Bélisle leads research activities in satellite systems and radio propagation providing technical support to Canadian government departments and helping industry through technology transfer activities. “I am pleased to be able to support a great organization such as the SDR Forum, in the development and promotion of not only SDR technologies but of a number of software based communications systems such as cognitive radios, for a wide variety of markets, including military, public safety, commercial, automobile, aeronautics, space.”

Dr. Eric Christensen of General Dynamics C4Systems has been appointed by The SDR Forum Board of Directors as an at-large director, to fill the board vacancy left by Dr. Fette. Dr. Christensen is the Chief Software Engineer in the Communications Networking Division, Assured Communications Systems business area of General Dynamics C4 Systems in Scottsdale, Ariz. He has been with the business unit 13 years working in Software Defined Radio (SDR) technology developing SDR infrastructures and waveforms and porting waveforms. Dr. Christensen has been involved in SDR development beginning with the SpeakEasy program and the Programmable Modular Communications System (PMCS) guidance document the forerunner to the Joint Tactical Radio System (JTRS) Software Communications Architecture (SCA). Dr. Christensen has been a contributor to The SDR Forum since 1998 as an author presenting papers and tutorials.

In addition to these changes to the Board, the SDR Forum announced that **Dr. John Glossner** of Sandbridge Technologies has accepted an appointment as General Chair of the [SDR 09 technical Conference and Product Exposition](#). These changes have occurred following the departure of Dr. Bruce Fette, formerly of

General Dynamics, from the SDR Forum Board of Directors as a part of his transition to a senior research position with the US Government. The SDR Forum thanks Dr. Fette for his 14 years of service and wishes him well in his new endeavors.

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Established in 1996, The SDR Forum™ is a non-profit international industry association with a 100+ strong membership comprised of world class technical, business and government organizations from EMEA, Asia and the Americas who are passionate about creating a revolution in wireless communications based on reconfigurable radio. The SDR Forum is the only organization in the world dedicated to serving the industry's needs through advocacy, opportunity development, commercialization and education. For more information, please visit www.sdrforum.org

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