



Vision of ECHONET

"To control home appliances directly and able to connect to home electronics devices through a gateway that will enable industry participants to develop a variety of systems having different communication speeds and levels of technological sophistication while maintaining optimum cost performance."

• Features include:

- Use of Electric Wires and Wireless Technology as Transmission Media
- o Implementation of a Multi-vendor Environment
- Plug & Play Functionality
- o Open System Architecture
- o Connections to Systems Outside the Home



NAv6 & ECHONET

- The National Advanced IPv6 Centre (NAv6) is a premier centre in the area of Next Generation Internet
 - Areas of research:
 - o Real-time Multimeda Communication
 - o Network Monitoring
 - $\circ\,$ Satellite and Wireless Communication
 - Network Security
 - \circ Mobile Technologies
- NAv6 can contribute its expertise required for ECHONET project
 - Expertise and Capacity Building
 - o Security
 - o Standardization

IPv6 & ECHONET

- The need for a large pool of IP addresses to connect/control ECHONET appliances
 - \circ The obvious solution: IPv6
 - o Benefits of IPv6
 - Larger IP address space
 - o Better security
 - Consideration to real time
 - Plug and play
 - o Better optimization

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\circ Recommendation:

- A good knowledge and understanding of IPv6 is crucial for anyone under the ECHONET projects
- The need for good structured courses in IPv6 that are being endorsed by the de facto body in IPv6; IPv6 Global Forum
 - Two certification courses provided by NAv6 (endorsed by IPv6 Global Forum)
 - Certified IPv6 Network Engineer (CNE6) Level 1 & Level 2
 - Certified IPv6 Network Programming (CNP6)







Mobile Platform & ECHONET

- With mobile platform:
 - To be able to monitor and control appliances through a network-connected mobile devices at home, office, and even through the Internet
 - Two popular platforms:



 Open-sourse – allowing manufacturer to make changes to fit the devices they are making

Mobile Platform Structured Courses

o Recommendation:

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 Engineers working on ECHONET project to be trained in Android application development





Network Security

- As the technology mature and the interest on the Internet increases, network security has become a major concern to companies throughout the world
- Embedded device
 - Need to implement methods or protocol for secure data transfer
 - Security methods should be implemented to defeat attempts of unauthorized access of secure data from the device

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Network Security Structured Courses

o Recommendation:

 Crucial for ECHONET's personnel to be trained in network security that included mobile platform devices

o E.g. Certified IPv6 Security Engineer (CSE6)





Standardization

- For ECHONET, standardization is needed to ensure that incentives for efficient power usage may be provided by the utility itself or a third party service provider
- Recommendation for standardization:
 - Separate realization from standards description
 - Unified language for tariff information
 - Training and certification should be standardization for proper qualification

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