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## **EuroDOCSIS, EuroPacketCable (Multimedia) Certification/Qualification: Schedule 2009**

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# EuroDOCSIS, EuroPacketCable (Multimedia) Certification/Qualification: Certification Schedule 2009

## 1 Introduction

This document contains the certification schedule for 2009 for the EuroDOCSIS certification waves, the EuroPacketCable certification waves and the EuroPacketCable Multimedia certification waves.

This document must be used in conjunction with the certification wave General Guidelines (see [http://www.excentis.com/testing\\_eurocablelabs\\_cwinformation\\_guidelines.php](http://www.excentis.com/testing_eurocablelabs_cwinformation_guidelines.php)). These certification wave guidelines describe the scope of products that can be submitted for certification or qualification, along with a detailed list of requirements for all products.

The schedule may be subject to changes. Any changes will be announced on the appropriate e-mail reflectors: [eurodocsis\\_announce@excentis.com](mailto:eurodocsis_announce@excentis.com), [europacketcable\\_announce@excentis.com](mailto:europacketcable_announce@excentis.com). To subscribe to these reflectors, please check [http://www.excentis.com/testing\\_eurocablelabs\\_participantsportal.php](http://www.excentis.com/testing_eurocablelabs_participantsportal.php).



## 2 Basic information

All certification waves in 2009 (ECW 34, 35, 36 and 37) consist of an Interop week, an ATP Run week, followed by the certification-testing period itself.

### 2.1 Interop

During the week of the Interop (also known as 'First dry-run'), vendors are welcome in the Excentis labs (free of charge) to:

- perform interoperability testing on EuroDOCSIS 3.0 based CPE devices and head-end equipment
- perform interoperability testing on EuroDOCSIS 2.0 (or lower), EuroPacketCable and/or EuroPacketCable Multimedia based CPE and head-end equipment (CMTS, Call Management Server, Media Gateway, Policy Server).
- attend the re-testing of issues or fixes for issues that were found in the previous certification wave.

Attendance of the Interop may be mandatory for some products! Further information can be found in the General Guidelines document.

The admission application form (available on the website) for the Interop has to arrive the latest the Wednesday prior to the start of the Interop.

### 2.2 ATP Run

During the week of the ATP Run (also known as 'Second dry-run') Excentis offers the opportunity to vendors to have selected acceptance tests executed by Excentis similar to those executed during product certification. Note that the ATP Run is not free of charge, but attendance of the ATP Run is not mandatory. Further information can also be found in the General Guidelines document.

The admission application form (available on the website) for the ATP Run has to arrive the latest the Wednesday prior to the start of the ATP Run.

### 2.3 Certification testing

During the testing period Excentis checks the conformance of the product against the specifications. The certification test period is closed for the product suppliers.

The duration of the testing depends on the type of submission:

- for EuroDOCSIS 3.0 based products, the testing period takes 7 weeks. This period may be shortened after a number of 3.0 waves, when products have matured.
- for all other products the testing period takes 5 weeks.

For the official certification testing, the admission application forms must also arrive the latest the Wednesday prior to the start of the testing period.

As the testing for 3.0 based products starts 2 weeks earlier than for other products, all testing will be finished on the same day. After this testing Excentis provides the test reports of each submitted product to the EuroCableLabs Certification Board (ECB). The ECL Certification Board then decides on the certification/qualification of the submitted product.

In the week after all testing has finished, usually on the Wednesday, a EuroDOCSIS/EuroPacketCable meeting is held, open for all vendors who have signed the EuroDOCSIS/EuroPacketCable NDA. Some MSOs may also attend this meeting. Further information about this meeting is also made available on the website.

On the Friday the week after the end of the certification wave, the vendor receives a fax with the decision of the certification board, and a report with the summary of the results via email. On the next Monday then a phone call is organised to discuss about the results if necessary. Further feedback about the results may also be done via emails with traces, logs, ...



### 3 Schedule of 2009

Interop	Wave 34	Wave 35	Wave 36	Wave 37
Registration closing date (17.00 CET)	Jan 7	Apr 1	Jul 1	Sep 30
Starting date	Jan 12	Apr 6	Jul 6	Oct 5
End date	Jan 16	Apr 10	Jul 10	Oct 9
ATP Run	Wave 34	Wave 35	Wave 36	Wave 37
Registration closing date (17.00 CET)	Jan 7	Apr 15	Jul 1	Sep 30
Starting date	Jan 12	Apr 20	Jul 6	Oct 5
End date	Jan 16	Apr 24	July 10	Oct 9
Certification Wave	Wave 34	Wave 35	Wave 36	Wave 37
ECN Cut-off date	Dec 12 '08	Dec 12 '08	May 1 '09 [~CW69]	May 1 '09 [~CW71]
EuroDOCSIS 3.0 products - Admission Application Form Part 1 (17.00 CET)	Jan 28	Apr 29	Jul 29	Oct 14
EuroDOCSIS 3.0 products - Documentation, Equipment Arrival, Testing Start Date (1)	Feb 2	May 4	Aug 3	Oct 19
EuroDOCSIS 2.0 - Admission Application Form Part 1 (17.00 CET)	Feb 11	May 13	Aug 12	Oct 28
EuroDOCSIS 2.0 - Documentation, Equipment Arrival, Testing Start Date (1)	Feb 16	May 18	Aug 17	Nov 2
Certification Payment (2)		Within 3 weeks after invoice		
Testing End Date	Mar 20	Jun 19	Sep 18	Dec 4
NDA Vendor Meeting (3)	Mar 25	June 24	Sep 23	Dec 9
ECB Meeting (4)	Mar 26	June 25	Sep 24	Dec 10
Results (fax and email)	Mar 27	June 26	Sep 25	Dec 11
Feedback (phone/email)	Mar 30	June 29	Sep 28	Dec 14

(1) All products must be in Excentis by 12:00 CET that day. CMTS, CMS, MG, IPAT and PS vendors MUST then also have all required equipment set up and running. At least one engineer per CMTS, CMS, MG, IPAT or PS vendor will be required to personally set up the equipment (this may also be done in advance). Please contact Excentis for further set-up arrangements via email on [testing@excentis.com](mailto:testing@excentis.com).

(2) This invoice needs to be paid within 3 weeks after ECL has issued the invoice. If the vendor fails to pay the certification/qualification fee within 3 weeks after receiving the invoice, the vendor will be



excluded from the certification/qualification process. Further details regarding payment and fees can be found on [http://www.excentis.com/testing\\_eurocablelabs\\_cwinformation\\_guidelines.php](http://www.excentis.com/testing_eurocablelabs_cwinformation_guidelines.php).

- (3) The NDA vendor meetings are open to all vendors who signed a EuroDOCSIS Non-Disclosure Agreement and/or EuroPacketCable Non-Disclosure Agreement. Information on these meetings is available on [http://www.excentis.com/testing\\_eurocablelabs\\_cwinformation\\_NDAvendormmeeting.php](http://www.excentis.com/testing_eurocablelabs_cwinformation_NDAvendormmeeting.php).
- (4) ECB Meetings are limited to the Certification board Members Only.

Please note that all dates above are subject to changes.

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