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Axis introduces market's most light sensitive surveillance camera

Axis Communications, the market leader in network video, introduces an outstanding fixed network camera based on Axis' Lightfinder technology. AXIS Q1602/-E Network Cameras are the perfect solutions for indoor and outdoor surveillance in low-light conditions, especially where users require color information in the video to enhance recognition and identification of objects.

"Axis' unique Lightfinder technology allows fixed network cameras to reach a new level of image performance in difficult light conditions," says Erik Frännlid, Director of Product Management, Axis Communications. "This is a revolutionary improvement for video surveillance cameras and we believe that AXIS Q1602 will be the market's most light sensitive camera. This product will be the best choice in dark conditions and low-light environment."

Lightfinder makes AXIS Q1602 highly sensitive to low light, effectively allowing the camera to 'see' even in dark conditions. Axis' knowledge base about image processing, chip development, choice of sensors and day/night lenses, allows the camera to maintain focus during daylight and infrared light and heralds a new generation of surveillance cameras with outstanding performance. The fixed network camera delivers progressive scan image quality at D1 (720 x 576) resolution, in both indoor and outdoor applications, where light is poor.

The advanced Lightfinder technology will be especially beneficial in demanding video surveillance applications, such as construction sites, parking lots, perimeter and city surveillance. In contrast to conventional day/night cameras which switch to black & white in darkness, AXIS Q1602 can maintain colors even in very dark conditions. There are many situations where surveillance video with color is an important factor for successful identification, and this capability greatly enhances the user's ability to effectively identify people, vehicles and incidents. In many cases, IR illuminators are not required due to the camera's extreme light sensitivity, which reduces installation costs.

The indoor AXIS Q1602 and the outdoor-ready AXIS Q1602-E can deliver multiple, individually configurable H.264 and Motion JPEG video streams simultaneously. The camera's other features include day and night functionality, varifocal lens, remote back focus and support for two-way audio. The IP66-rated AXIS Q1602-E, which comes with a wall mount bracket and a sunshield, is protected from dust, rain, snow and sun, and can operate in temperatures from -40 °C to 50°C (-40 °F to 122 °F).

AXIS Q1602/-E Network Cameras are supported by the industry's largest base of video management software through the Axis Application Development Partner Program and AXIS Camera Station. In addition, the cameras include support for AXIS Camera Application Platform

and AXIS Video Hosting System (AVHS) with One-Click Camera connection for managing video monitoring services over the Internet.

The cameras will be available in Q3 2011. For photos and other resources, please visit http://www.axis.com/corporate/press/press_material.htm?key=q1602.

About Axis

Axis is an IT company offering network video solutions for professional installations. The company is the global market leader in network video, driving the ongoing shift from analog to digital video surveillance. Axis products and solutions focus on security surveillance and remote monitoring, and are based on innovative, open technology platforms. Axis is a Sweden-based company, operating worldwide with offices in more than 20 countries and cooperating with partners in more than 70 countries. Founded in 1984, Axis is listed on the NASDAQ OMX Nordic, under the ticker AXIS. For more information about Axis, please visit our website at www.axis.com

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