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## Meriplex Communications Achieves Cisco Multinational Master Specialization Across Multiple Cisco Theaters

Designation Recognizes In-Depth Technical Expertise and Demonstrated Success in Selling, Deploying and Providing Services for More Sophisticated Cisco Solutions

HOUSTON, Oct. 27, 2011 -- Meriplex Communications announced today that it has achieved the Multinational Master Specialization from Cisco, expanding its existing elite designation in the United States to include the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Australia, New Zealand and Japan. This designation recognizes Meriplex Communications as having fulfilled the training requirements and program prerequisites to sell, deploy and support highly sophisticated Cisco® Unified Communications solutions across multiple countries.

"This rare certification from Cisco assures our clients that Meriplex possesses the skills to effectively design, implement, and support large global IP Telephony deployments," said David Henley, Vice President of Meriplex. "We are always striving for new ways to enhance our service offerings, while, at the same time, raising the bar on industry standards."

"As the network becomes the platform for fostering communications and innovation, many customers across geographic areas are demanding both an enhanced set of skills and capabilities and the ability to do business in more than one country," said Edison Peres, vice president and chief go-to-market officer for worldwide channels at Cisco. "By further investing to expand the geographic scope of its Master in Unified Communications Specialization, Meriplex Communications is furthering its rank among the industry's elite."

While the Cisco Unified Communications Master Specialization recognizes expertise within a single country, the Multinational Master Specialization recognizes partners who have extended this expertise across multiple countries in a geographic region.

To achieve the Multinational Master Specialization, a channel partner must first attain the Master Unified Communications Specialization in one country. This involves meeting a series of stringent requirements in three categories: technology capabilities, sales expertise and services offerings. Partners must possess a number of Cisco and industry-standard technical certifications, provide customer references that document design and deployment capabilities prescribed by Cisco, and show evidence that they have the infrastructure to support a full menu of Cisco Lifecycle Services offerings and capabilities. To achieve the Multinational designation, the partner must fill specified job roles in the additional countries and provide a minimum of five reference accounts.

The Cisco Resale Partner Program provides partners with the training required to build sales, technical and Cisco Lifecycle Services skills, and then validates their skills through

a third-party audit. Cisco resale partner certifications - Select, Premier, Silver and Gold - represent an increasing breadth of skills across key technologies and a partner's ability to deliver integrated networking solutions. Cisco resale partner specializations - SMB, Express, Advanced and Master - reflect an increasing depth of sales, technical and service expertise in particular technologies. A Cisco master specialization provides Meriplex Communications with access to comprehensive sales, technical and lifecycle services training and support from Cisco.

#### About Meriplex Communications

Founded in 2001 by Arthur Henley, co-holder of an early VoIP patent #5526353, Meriplex Communications is a Texas-based enhanced service provider specializing in communication solutions for the enterprise market. The company's business is organized into four areas, including Network Services (Global Internet, MPLS, and SIP solutions); Cisco VAR (Unified Communications, routing and switching, security, datacenter and wireless LAN); Managed Services (24 x 7 x 365 Certified NOC); and Structured Cabling. Meriplex Communications services business customers around the globe. For more information, visit <http://www.meriplex.com>.

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