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### IPv6 QoS Measurement (6QM)

#### New IPv6 European Project Launched:

#### Working to facilitate the QoS provisioning for end users

**Nice, November 4, 2002** – The European Commission has launched 6QM, a 2.4 M€ project, initiative of major European research institutions of both QoS and IPv6 technologies, together with equipment manufacturers.

The project will develop a comprehensive approach towards IPv6 QoS measurement, including the development of a measurement device and server. The major European test beds, Euro6IX and 6NET, will be used to evaluate the project components, with realistic traffic conditions.

“6QM will setup the bases for the emergence of IPv6 into the market”, indicated Stephane Amarger, Deputy Laboratory Manager in Hitachi Laboratories Europe.

“6QM will facilitate the real deployment of IPv6 and will provide the tools towards the future implementation of QoS offers to the users. Up to now, QoS was not widely available in Internet, and IPv6 provides an enhanced support towards this end. The service providers need to measure the actual service being provisioned, and the project will make it possible, increasing the number of services and applications that could be used in Internet, and making possible the correlation of the information towards practical Service Level Agreements”, emphasized Jordi Palet, Consulintel CTO.

Consulintel was the main responsible of the proposal preparation, and will continue a strong cooperation with Hitachi, providing expertise and support in the IPv6 project management, recently demonstrated in several IPv6 related IST projects.

The 6QM consortium will closely cooperate with the Euro6IX, 6NET and 6POWER projects, among others.

6QM partners cover several European countries including France (Hitachi), Germany (Fokus) and Spain (Consulintel), but also Hitachi from Japan is a key partner, and indeed the scientific project coordinator. Strong interest and cooperation have been registered from manufactures, researchers, Telco's, ISP's and Universities from around the world to drive and foster commitments in real deployment of IPv6.

Further information will be soon available on the project Web Site ([www.6qm.org](http://www.6qm.org)). Also the coordinator can be contacted directly through:

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