



## ECI TAKES LEADING LIGHTS 2016 AWARD FOR MOST INNOVATIVE SECURITY STRATEGY (VENDOR)

Petach Tikva, May 24, 2016 --- [ECI](#), a global provider of ELASTIC Network® solutions for service providers, utilities and data center operators, announced today that its LightSEC™ security solution has won Light Reading's, Leading Lights 2016 award for most innovative security strategy (vendor).

“Security is at the top of service provider agendas as they deal with ever increasing cybersecurity threats. In winning this Leading Lights award, ECI has shown it has the technology to help communications service providers counter those threats,” said Mr. Ray Le Maistre, Editor-in-Chief, Light Reading.

“On behalf of ECI I would like to thank the Light Reading, Leading Light Awards Committee for recognizing ECI's innovative, industry-leading solution. There is a clear market need for a solution that marries the best of networking with the best of security and LightSEC was designed exactly for this,” said Darryl Edwards, President and CEO at ECI.

Mr. Edwards continued, “LightSEC epitomizes ECI's expertise, knowledge and ability to forecast market trends. Under the umbrella of our ELASTIC Network strategy, we were one of the first to combine the agility and flexibility of an NFV platform with a security solution. Our team continues to innovate with the long-standing goal of enabling customers to adapt to change as required. We want them to not only survive, but also thrive in current and future telecom realities, with confidence that their networks are safe and full-proof.”

Developed to be comprehensive, flexible and centralized LightSEC ensures that customers cope well with current security challenges as well as retain the ability to add security functions which will protect against future threats. The LightSEC solution is comprised of three major pillars:

- **A Suite of Security Applications** which delivers an out-of-the-box, flexible security mitigation solution. The solution leverages a rich set of mature and innovative security functions, understanding that effective protection cannot be achieved by protecting individual elements.
- **LightSEC COMPASS** - With the growing number of threats, every organization is likely implementing a variety of security engines and applications. The LightSEC COMPASS

features an aggregated view of calculated threats from all security engines, whether ECI's proprietary applications or those of a third party.

- **The Mercury™ NFV solution** - facilitates a consolidated security and connectivity solution. The solution is based on a commercial, off-the-shelf platform, which can be deployed as a plug-in blade (in ECI's Neptune product line) or as a stand-alone appliance. The NFV platform offers a solution with maximum flexibility, enabling the introduction of systems and engines, at the touch of a button.

LightSEC is another in a line of several ECI innovations announced over the last year. Others include: the 400G flex grid blade, the Apollo OPT 9900 optical series, a variety of LightAPPS™ and the ElastiCLOUD™ data center and cloud networking solution.

To watch the presentation of the Leading Light award to ECI, please visit:

<https://youtu.be/IOf0iLsAfT8>

## **ABOUT ECI**

ECI is a global provider of ELASTIC Network solutions to CSPs, utilities as well as data center operators. Along with its long-standing, industry-proven packet-optical transport, ECI offers a variety of SDN/NFV applications, end-to-end network management, a comprehensive cyber security solution, and a range of professional services. ECI's ELASTIC solutions ensure open, future-proof, and secure communications. With ECI, customers have the luxury of choosing a network that can be tailor-made to their needs today as well as be seamlessly and cost effectively upgraded to future requirements. For more information, visit us at [www.ecitele.com](http://www.ecitele.com).

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