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CONFERENCE EXHIBITION 25/26/27 MARCH 2025

Strategies for Securing Network Access

The SASE Forum, to be held at the Palais des Congrès de Paris, the 26th of March, will delve into the transformative journey from traditional networking to a Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) architecture.

Experts will explore in particular how AI and machine learning are revolutionizing network automation, troubleshooting, and predictive maintenance, ensuring a seamless and secure transition to the cloud.

They will highlight the different strategies for securing the workforces and explain the concepts of SSE, SASE, and ZTNA and their relevance in this modern era.

Benefits of implementing a Zero Trust approach with SASE from a security and energy's perspective will be demonstrated by discussing the cutting-edge innovations shaping the future of secure access technologies, with a focus on ZTNA and Secure Service Edge (SSE).

- What are the interactions between SASE solutions and the underlay
- Which impact of AI/ML workloads on all layers of connectivity
- How to ensure reliable secure overlays with underlying transport SLAs
- What about security of data and AI training and inference workloads
- What's next with encryption (post-quantum cryptography), intelligent routing, compliance and sovereignty considerations

The SASE Forum will bring detailed responses through renowned technical experts addresses, service providers testimonies and analysts forecast.

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MPLS World: Which New Network Design

Main sessions of the congress will cover AI and ML, IPv6 deployments, Clocking, EVPN, IP/Optical and Open RAN.

For 25 years now, the Congress have highlighted and explained the softwerization, disaggregation and cloudification processes.

Quantum Networks Summit

The conference programme will mainly cover Quantum safe networks software architectures, QKD innovations, Post Quantum Cryptography implementations and control planes aspects.

Other sessions will address photonic layer security, use-cases and migration from legacy networks.

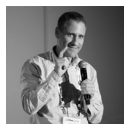
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PLENARY SESSIONS CONFERENCE ROOM 342

08.00 Registration & Coffee

09.00 INTRODUCTION



Morning Chairman
Amir Zmora, CEO & Co-founder, flexiWAN

09.00 Lessons from the Field

How much of SD-WAN's promise has truly been delivered? Exploring real-world insights into SD-WAN deployments, highlighting successes, gaps, and how the convergence of SSE, SD-WAN, and advanced monitoring is shaping the future.



Adam Godlewski, Solutions Architect SASE, Cavell Group

11.10 How AI is Enhancing Security Postures, Reducing Human Errors

AI comes in many forms and the use cases are ever evolving. These range from inline actions such as detecting DGAs and Cyber Squatting, insights such as suggesting resolutions to misconfigured firewall rulesets. Taking a look at some of these examples.



Glenn Williams, Chief Technical Architect, Service Providers & GSI EMEA, Cato Networks

09.20 KEYNOTES SESSION

09.20



Marc Bouteyre,
Head of Virtualization Solution, Ekinops

09.40



Rick Mur,
CTO & Co-founder, GNX

10.00 Coffee/Exhibition/Networking

10.30 AI IMPACT SESSION

10.30 How Edge AI Changes Enterprise Networking

Using an example of a popular consumer product, looking at how Edge AI changes network requirements for Enterprise, and how solutions like VeloRAIN helps Enterprise adopt the growing demand of AI and GenAI workloads.



Ray Wong, Head of EMEA, VeloCloud by Broadcom

10.50 SASE and the Future of Security in a Connected World

With AI-driven security, SASE is redefining how organizations detect, respond, and automate, fostering a powerful synergy between humans and machines. Discovering how security can be both invisible and invincible.



Beatrice Ghorra, Senior Security Solution Architect, Cisco

11.30 PANEL SELECTING THE SASE THAT FITS YOUR NEEDS

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The selection of SASE spans various considerations, from the decision to adopt a full SASE solution to a combination of SD-WAN and SSE elements, the required architecture, and "soft" characteristics of the solution.

The panel will review the consideration points for selecting a SASE that fits the needs of different segments.



Moderator
Amir Zmora, CEO & Co-founder, flexiWAN



Gail Smith, Director, Cavell Group



Hector Avalos, VP Sales Europe, Middle East & Africa, Versa



Jaye Tillson, SD-WAN & Field CTO, HPE



Charles Eckel, Principal Engineer, Global Technology Standards, Cisco

12.30 Finger Buffet

14.00 SASE INFRASTRUCTURES & PERFORMANCE ISSUES



Afternoon Chairwoman
Gail Smith, Director, Cavell Group

14.00 Securing OT on IT Network

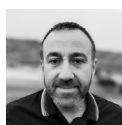
Exploring the critical vulnerabilities within OT environments, associated integration challenges and how SASE can provide a robust, cloud-native solution. Learning how SASE's unified approach to security, remote access, and threat intelligence is reshaping OT security strategies, and how it can help safeguard organization's most vital infrastructure from emerging risks.



Pierre-Henri Bourdiol, Senior System Engineer, Versa

14.20 SASE and Zero Trust: Finding the Balance between Security and Performance

In today's cloud-first, hybrid work-from-anywhere world, there is growing traction towards SASE and Zero Trust architectures to secure and deliver fast access to critical enterprise applications and resources. This shift brings flexibility and agility but introduces complex challenges in network security, performance, and validation.



Dharen Ells, Senior Solutions Architect, Spirent Communications

14.40 Sovereign SASE: Customer Requirements and Solutions

Organizations are seeking cloud-delivered secure access solutions built on a Zero Trust (ZTNA) framework that comply with national regulations while maintaining operational agility. Exploring the key customer requirements driving the adoption of Sovereign SASE and describing FreePro's Unified Sovereign SASE solutions for the French market.



Co-authors: Laurent Cheyssial, CTO of FreePro & Hector Avalos, VP EMEA Telcos at Versa

Laurent Cheyssial, CTO, FreePro

15.00 ZTNA, SSE & SASE: the Next Era of Security Connectivity

Exploring the different strategies for securing our workforce and explaining the concepts of SSE, SASE, and ZTNA and their relevance in this modern era. Highlighting the emerging trends in adoption and their significance.



Jaye Tillson, SD-WAN & Field CTO, HPE

15.20 SASE for Service Providers and Enterprises: How to Do it Right

Exploring how Service Providers and Enterprises can get the SASE experience they need, but can't get through traditional bundled integrations, using a simple metaphor that gets right to the heart of why a SASE Platform, built from the ground up, is essential.



Paolo Maestripietri, Service Providers Sales Director, EMEA, Cato Networks

15.40 SD-WAN & SASE COEXISTENCE

15.40 Overcoming Network Challenges in AI Deployment: The Role of SD-WAN, SASE, and Proactive Monitoring

SD-WAN and SASE provide the agility and security necessary for AI applications, but their success hinges on proactive monitoring to identify bottlenecks and mitigate failures.



Nestor Falcon Gonzalez, Global Solution Architect, Network Observability, Broadcom

16.00 Coffee/Exhibition/Networking

16.30 Interaction between SASE Solutions and their Underlay

Discovering key learnings from the field and how to avoid pitfalls in adopting Secure Access Service Edge (SASE), Post Quantum



Cryptography (PQC), and Artificial Intelligence (AI). Gaining insights into comprehensive testing and actionable data to confidently integrate these emerging technologies.

Tayo Ogunseyinde, Consultant System Engineer, Versa

16.50 Navigating SASE, Post Quantum Cryptography and AI with Confidence

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Christian Hirsch, Technology Team Lead, Service Provider EMEA, Keysight

17.10 PANEL SASE, AI, UNDERLAY INTERACTION: SOLVING THE INTEGRATION CONUNDRUM

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- What about security of data and AI training and inference workloads?
- What's next?



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Gail Smith, Director, Cavell Group



Emmanuelle Christophe, SASE Solution Director, Orange Business



Inna Ushakova, CEO, f AI EdgeLabs



Marc Bouteyre, Head of Virtualization Solution, Ekinops



Rick Mur, CTO & Co-founder, GNX

17.50 End of the Conference

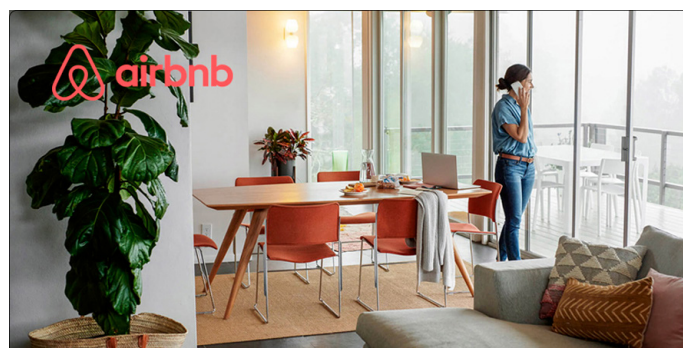
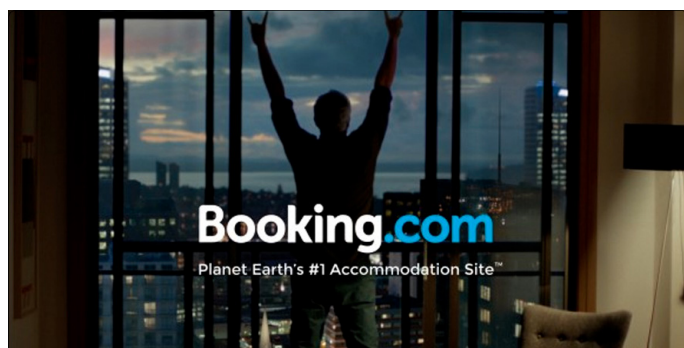
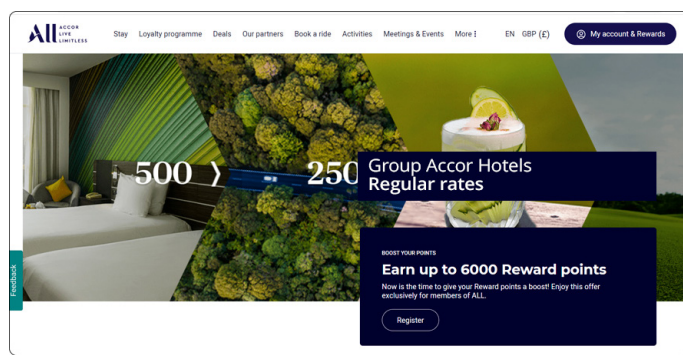
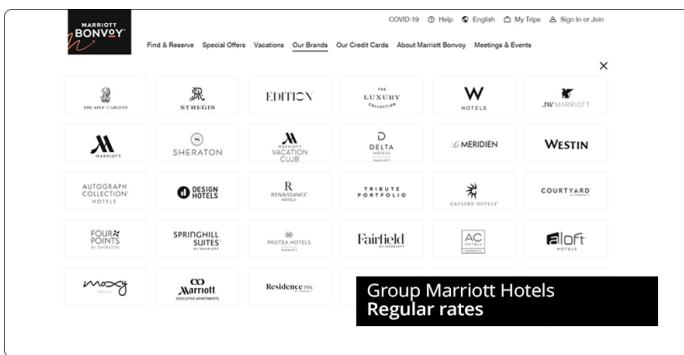
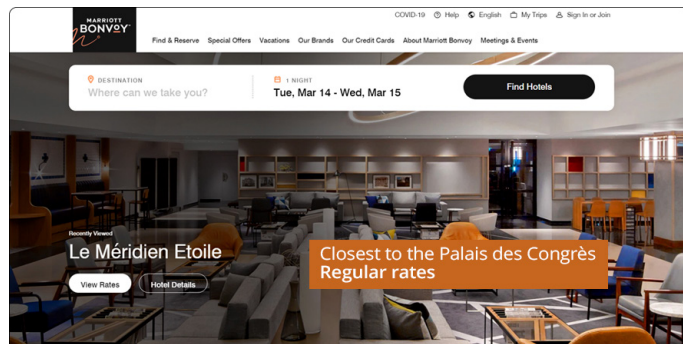
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