



Opera press releases

The Full Web and AJAX on a Chip for TV: The Opera browser is now pre-ported to Sigma's SMP8630 chipsets

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Opera Software, a global leader in Web browser technologies, today announced its partnership with Sigma Designs (Nasdaq: SIGM), leader in digital media processing for consumer electronics. The Opera Web browser will be available pre-ported to Sigma's SMP8630 family of chipsets, and available to manufacturers in the Opera 8.5 SDK (Software Development Kit) for Devices (TM). This partnership accelerates time-to-market for OEMs that are including a Web browser on their Sigma-powered devices.

Sigma, a leading provider of powerful system-on-a-chip solutions, enables powerful, cost effective products for the advanced requirements of devices such as digital media adapters, IPTV set-top boxes and networked DVD players. OEMs including Sigma's SMP8630 family of chipsets in their products will now be able to easily add the full- featured and small-sized Opera Internet browser for a fast Internet surfing experience from their devices. Using open Web standards, Opera allows for easy portability and accelerates the pace for developing dynamic user interfaces and cutting-edge Web applications.

"The combination of Sigma and Opera enables the rapid creation of compelling new devices that can take advantage of the power of the full Internet and Web applications," says Scott Hedrick, Executive Vice President, Opera Software. "I am excited to collaborate with Sigma to enable the best end user experiences for IPTV set-top boxes, DVRs, Blue-ray & HD DVD players and other digital consumer electronics devices."

"With an increasing number of our customer devices requiring full Web browsing and the ability to run web-based user interfaces, Opera is natural partner for Sigma Designs," says Ken Lowe, VP of strategic marketing, Sigma Designs. "At Sigma we are focused on producing exciting products that enable the best user experience, and Opera is complementary in that it provides users a fast and full-featured Internet experience."

Availability

The Opera 8.5 SDK will include support for Sigma in Q1 2006.

About Opera for Devices

Opera provides and optimized implementation of Internet technologies for digital TV and other consumer electronics devices, with innovative and powerful features that seamlessly adapt the Internet experience to suit varying screen sizes and input devices. In addition to being a full Internet browser, Opera is an execution environment for Web applications and dynamic user interfaces based on interoperable open Web technologies such as AJAX. Learn more about [Opera for Devices](#).

About Sigma Designs, Inc.

Sigma Designs (Nasdaq: SIGM) specializes in silicon-based MPEG decoding for streaming video, progressive DVD playback, and advanced digital set-top boxes. The company's award-winning REALmagic® Video Streaming Technology is used in both commercial and consumer applications providing highly integrated solutions for high-quality decoding of MPEG-1, MPEG-2 and MPEG-4. Headquartered in Milpitas, Calif., the company also has sales offices in China, Europe, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea and Taiwan. For more information, please visit the company's web site at www.sigmadesigns.com.

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About Opera Software ASA

Opera Software ASA has redefined Web browsing for PCs, mobile phones and other networked devices. Opera's cross- platform Web browser technology is renowned for its small size, performance and standards-compliance, while giving users a faster, safer and more dynamic online experience. Opera Software is headquartered in Oslo, Norway, with offices around the world. The company is listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol OPERA. Learn more about Opera at www.opera.com.

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