



Luxtera Strengthens Management Team with the Addition of Three New Executives

Former Broadcom executives advance company's focus on high volume optical applications

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News Highlights:

- Luxtera names Joseph Balardeta as its vice president of engineering, previously holding senior technical management positions at AMCC and Broadcom.
- Luxtera announces Chris Bergey as the vice president of marketing. Bergey spent the last five years establishing and managing Broadcom's WLAN combo business into one of Broadcom's largest business lines.
- Ron Horan joins Luxtera as the vice president of sales. Ron was most recently a senior director of sales and global account manager for Broadcom.

Luxtera, the worldwide leader in [Silicon CMOS Photonics](#), today announces the addition of three new executives to its management team. The new members include Joseph Balardeta, vice president of engineering; Ron Horan, vice president of sales and Chris Bergey, vice president of marketing.

Each new member of the Luxtera team has demonstrated considerable leadership in the semiconductor industry. Balardeta was most recently a founder of Uplay, LLC, which was acquired by Callaway Golf. He also held various engineering management roles at Broadcom and served as the vice president of engineering at AppliedMicro.

Bergey also joins Luxtera from Broadcom, where he was most recently a vice president of the Mobile and Wireless Group and gained significant experience with starting and managing product lines and marketing organizations through explosive growth. Prior to spending nine years at Broadcom, Bergey worked for Multilink Technology Corporation and Advanced Micro Devices.

Horan was most recently senior director and global account manager for Broadcom. Prior to joining Broadcom, Horan managed the platform engineering team at Advanced Micro Devices. Prior to that, he was a senior design engineer with Compaq Computer's workstation team, where he drove high speed graphics and management solutions and was awarded 16 patents.



Quotes

“It is without question that Luxtera is an industry leader and I am excited to be a part of the next steps for the company. Silicon Photonics is poised to aide in the deployment of high performance optical connectivity and Luxtera’s proven processes make the worldwide commercialization of the technology a reality,” said Balardeta.

“The promise of Silicon Photonics has been discussed at length for many years, however like many technologies, it was the right idea before the industry and markets were ready,” said Bergey. “We are now rapidly approaching the inflection point where Silicon Photonics will often be the only viable solution to support the cost, size, density and reliability required by leading manufacturers of switches and servers. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to help lead Luxtera into this market transition.”

“Closing design wins and facilitating them to production has been a hallmark of my career,” said Horan. “I look forward to utilizing my breadth of experience to further position Luxtera as a leader in the market, bringing the reality of wide scale Silicon Photonic deployments worldwide.”

“I have personally worked with Joseph, Chris and Ron and I am confident they will make significant contributions towards the opportunity we see ahead in the optical applications market,” said Greg Young, president and CEO of Luxtera. “This is an exciting time for Luxtera and to bring on such marque leadership speaks to their views of the tremendous opportunities ahead for Luxtera.”

About Luxtera

Luxtera, Inc. is the world leader in Silicon CMOS Photonics. It is the first company to overcome the complex technical obstacles involved with integrating high performance optics directly with silicon electronics on a mainstream CMOS chip, bringing direct “fiber to the chip” connectivity to market. Headquartered in Carlsbad, California, Luxtera is a fabless semiconductor company that was founded in 2001 by a team of industry-renowned researchers and technology managers drawn from the communications and semiconductor industries. Luxtera has received funding from leading venture capitalists including August Capital, New Enterprise Associates, Sevin Rosen Funds and Lux Capital. More information can be found on the company's web site: www.luxtera.com

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