

# Luxtera Announces Addition of Senior Executives Brad Byk and Kelly Perez

Silicon Photonics leader taps industry veterans to lead worldwide sales & finance in midst of significant growth ramp

Carlsbad, Calif. – September 29, 2015 – <u>Luxtera</u>, the global leader in Silicon Photonics solutions, today announces the hiring of Brad Byk as Vice President of Worldwide Sales and Kelly Perez as Vice President of Finance. Luxtera will leverage their considerable experience and knowledge as the company accelerates its global commercial expansion.

"We are very pleased to have Mr. Byk and Ms. Perez joining our executive leadership team," said Greg Young, Luxtera President & CEO. "Luxtera has transitioned into an extreme growth phase, as we're delivering products to hyperscale data center operators and system OEMs that rely upon Luxtera's Silicon Photonics technology. We've now built an executive leadership team capable of driving Luxtera to become a multibillion-dollar company."

## Brad Byk, Incoming Vice President of Worldwide Sales

Byk comes to Luxtera with over 25 years of experience in industry leading communications semiconductor companies and an impressive track record of scaling sales organizations while creating and executing high growth plans and delivering solid results.

Prior to joining Luxtera, Byk served as Senior Vice President of Worldwide Sales for Skyworks Solutions Inc., where he led the company to new markets and significant sales growth (\$1.1 billion to \$2.4 billion over four years). Previously, Byk served 13 years at Broadcom, most recently as Senior Vice President of Sales for the Americas and Strategic Accounts with responsibility for over \$3 billion in annual revenue. Prior to this, he held various sales and management positions throughout his career at Advanced Micro Devices, FEI Microwave and TRW. Byk received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Long Beach State University and a master's degree in systems management from the University of Southern California.

"I'm really excited to be here," said Byk. "Luxtera has tremendous potential to be the next large scale public semiconductor company, and I look forward to help realize that potential. The market opportunity in front of us is unparalleled in my experience."

## **Kelly Perez, Incoming Vice President of Finance**

Perez has over 20 years of experience in various semiconductor and biotechnology companies, including deep expertise in global financial operations and controls, strategic planning and analysis, supply chain finance, IT systems and applications. In this role, Perez will oversee the company's global finance function, information technology and human resources, leveraging extensive experience gained earlier in her career.



Prior to joining Luxtera, Perez spent eight years at Sequenom, Inc., where she was most recently Vice President, Corporate Development and Administration as well as serving other functions such as Vice President, Finance & Treasurer. While at Sequenom, she was involved in raising more than \$400 million in various equity, debt and strategic transactions including Private Investment in Public Equity (PIPE), accelerated book build offerings, a convertible notes offering, a sale of a business unit and strategic partnerships. She was also responsible for the financial and strategic planning and analysis, treasury, corporate risk management, human resources and project and portfolio management functions. Perez has a strong background in semiconductors where she spent 11 years in various companies including Nvidia Corporation, Applied Micro Circuits Corporation, QuickLogic Corporation and Altera Corporation. In her seven years at Nvidia, she grew the finance organization to support the company as it went from a \$300 million to a \$2 billion annual revenue run-rate.

#### **About Luxtera:**

Luxtera, Inc. is the world leader in Silicon 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 driven by industry-renowned researchers and technology leaders 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 website: <a href="https://www.luxtera.com">www.luxtera.com</a>

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