Savant Adds to AV-over-IP Line

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Savant adds further features and hardware to its IP video and audio distribution systems-- the IP Video platform now comes complete with onboard audio processing, available with either 4 or 8 ports or inputs.

The system automatically extracts 2-channel audio, and down mixes off of most popular surround modes before distribution over the network to any IP Audio device throughout the home.

The company has new single input and output boxes for the IP Video line, making a lower-cost solution for single-source video inputs and outputs for one TV. As a result adding single sources or displays to the distributed video system is easier, and it eliminates the need for costly chassis expansion.

Also on offer is an array of network switches, including a 96 port 10Gb Netgear switch. A modular chassis allows for a mix of fibre and copper, as well as 1Gb, 10Gb and 40Gb ports for potential future scalability. The solution supports up to 95 video inputs or outputs. In addition, larger 12 and 24 port AVB switches from Extreme Networks are available via the Savant Store, allowing for large scale IP Audio distribution.

For audio connections over extended distances an IP Audio box with 16-channels (8 zones) of balanced audio is available. It promises superior quality even in remote zones, despite longer cable runs. The Balanced IP Audio device receives audio signals over the AVB network from any Savant IP Audio-enabled devices, such as the IP Audio Music Server or IP Video Input Transmitter with Audio Processing.

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