Year after year, the rapid pace of technology change in the data center is pushing solution providers to shorten time to market and making it hard for IT to meet the rising expectations of their end users. Today’s tech-savvy consumers of IT services want it all—mobility, instant access to information, boundary-less collaboration—and management wants it all for less.

Xilinx silicon advancements provide data center innovators with the freedom to build more value and cost effectiveness into the latest cloud environments. The power of programmability, combined with the inherent parallelism of the Xilinx FPGA architecture, accelerates processing and throughput for new classes of servers, storage, and network solutions. With the freedom to choose from an extensive portfolio of productivity-boosting IP, design tools, and design services, R&D teams can stay ahead of the competition and maximize success with the latest generation of programmable devices.

Cloud-Ready Data Center Solutions

Consolidation and virtualization are at the heart of next-generation data center architectures. Xilinx 28nm devices make it possible for solution designers to achieve very high levels of functional integration, maximize performance and value, and lower costs and power consumption. Fewer chips mean fewer interconnects, for lower system latencies. The built-in industry-leading Xilinx I/O optimizes throughput and eliminates bottlenecks throughout the compute, storage, and network fabric of the data center.

Xilinx FPGAs, with the power of programmability, simultaneously enable differentiation and extend the life of a design. Developers can rapidly adapt to changing requirements, introduce key new features, and comply with the latest data center standards such as those relating to solid-state drives (SSD storage devices), Fiber Channel over Ethernet (FCoE), and processor-to-processor interconnects. The on-chip functionality, consolidation, and integration also enable new ways of solving problems, and provide opportunities to increase the levels of innovation built into products.
XILINX DATA CENTER INNOVATION AND SOLUTION ENABLERS

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DATA CENTER TOPOLOGY

From Devices to Solutions

The breadth of the Xilinx portfolio gives developers cost-effective choices, with a scalable, optimized architecture connecting device families and providing a roadmap to future advancements. Xilinx and its ecosystem partners also offer a range of design tools and design services, including collaborations with system architects or the delivery of turnkey solutions tailored to the customer’s portfolio.

Take the NEXT STEP

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