



# SPARKLE IMPROVES ITS **VIRTUAL NAP SERVICE** COVERAGE OFFERING ACCESS TO **DE-CIX** LOCATIONS IN THE US



Local and international ISPs, content and application providers can now peer with hundreds of networks at DE-CIX sites in New York and Dallas

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Sparkle, the first international service provider in Italy and among the top ten global operators, has improved the coverage of its Virtual NAP service by offering access to DE-CIX locations in the United States.

Virtual NAP is Sparkle's turnkey solution that allows operators to access the main Internet Exchange Providers (IXPs) worldwide without having to implement and manage a proprietary infrastructure nor bearing the costs of colocation.

Thanks to an extended agreement with DE-CIX, the world's leading Internet Exchange operator, Sparkle will offer access to the DE-CIX sites in New York and Dallas, in addition to the European DE-CIX Internet Exchanges already reached by Sparkle's Virtual NAP.

As a result, North American ISPs, content and application providers will be able to peer with close to 350 networks connected at the DE-CIX locations in New York and Dallas. South American operators will also be able to access these DE-CIX sites with premium transport solutions over Sparkle's American backbone, a state of the art network featuring next generation submarine cables – Seabras-1 in the Atlantic and Curie in the Pacific – ensuring ultrafast and protected connectivity between South and North America.

At the same time, DE-CIX customers will be able to benefit from Sparkle's global Tier-1 IP Transit service Seabone for global Internet connectivity. Sparkle's offer to the DE-CIX community is also complemented by its DDoS Mitigation & Cleaning solutions – which grant Seabone cus-

tomers the option to protect their network – and by City2City, which offers dedicated and secure transport solutions to the main urban centers worldwide.

The selected DE-CIX locations in the United States add to the IXPs in Los Angeles, New York, Dallas, Sao Paulo, Rio De Janeiro and Santiago del Chile already interconnected by Sparkle, improving the coverage of Sparkle's Virtual NAP service in America.

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