

3M adds assembly solution collaborators to its Expanded Beam Optical Connector ecosystem

Rosenberger OSI and Molex commit to joining 3M's EBO ecosystem for hyperscale data centers

ST. PAUL, Minn. – Sept. 22 - 26, 2019; ECOC Conference, Stand 309 – 3M introduces two assembly solution collaborators – [Rosenberger OSI](#) and [Molex](#) – to the 3M™ Expanded Beam Optical (EBO) Connector ecosystem. These leading companies in fiber optic cabling and service solutions have confirmed their commitment to becoming collaborators with the intent to manufacture and sell expanded beam optical solutions based on the 3M™ Expanded Beam Optical Connector System, including optical patch cords using this technology.

“The addition of these trusted and experienced assembly solution collaborators to the ecosystem will accelerate our ability to serve data center customers with the experience they need and expect,” states Kris Aman, global marketing manager at 3M. “Our collaboration with Rosenberger OSI and Molex will help us continue to develop and expand this exciting technology to enable next-generation data center optical connectivity.”

Rosenberger OSI and Molex are the first assembly solution collaborators to join 3M's ecosystem. The ecosystem already includes inspection tool collaborators, [EXFO](#) and [Sumix](#), who are developing adapters for their tools, inspection images and pass or fail criteria for 3M connectors.

The companies are exhibiting at the European Council on Optical Communication (ECOC) in Dublin, Ireland. 3M will also display the revolutionary 3M™ Expanded Beam Optical Connector, initially announced in March at the Optical Networking and Communication Conference & Exhibition (OFC).

The 3M Expanded Beam Optical Connector is engineered as a high-performance, cost-effective and scalable single-mode and multimode interconnect system for data center applications. A first-of-its-kind, the revolutionary expanded beam ferrule and connector system challenges the status quo of optical interconnect and is designed to enable the industry to meet next-generation data center demands.

To learn more about the 3M Expanded Beam Optical Connector and its ecosystem, visit Stand #309 at the ECOC Conference, as well as the Rosenberger OSI booth (Stand #333), the Molex booth (Stand #94) and the COBO booth (Stand #138). A live application demonstration will be available, as well as collaborative demos with EXFO (Stand #129) and Sumix (Stand #131). You can also visit www.3M.com/opticalinterconnect for more information.

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