Edge Networking for Optimized Business Agility

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, enterprises are prioritizing digital transformation. The goal is not to simply bounce back, but build resiliency — and thrive under any circumstance.

COVID-19 & Beyond: The 3 Phases of Business Resiliency

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Organizations’ top networking priorities globally ranked.

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Top challenges cited by global respondents in enforcing cybersecurity protocols:

- Lack of visibility: 31%
- Lack of employee awareness/education: 59%
- Too many tools/solutions to manage: 50%
- Inconsistent interfaces: 35%

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Pre-COVID-19: 19%
Post-COVID-19: 37%

Global % of organizations with more than ½ of employees working remotely.

20–30% Yield in growth in higher workforce productivity and up to 60% less IT error & rework.

35 minutes Gained in daily productivity for half-time remote workers
15% Increase in productivity due to half-time remote work (equal to 74 new employees for free)

31K $396 $11K $1.9M
Amount saved annually for each U.S. employee who works half-time remotely
Daily savings for every half-time remote worker
Annual savings per 1K half-time remote workers if office space reduced by 25%

75% Companies that report digital transformation is accelerating due to the COVID-19 crisis.

The ultimate workplace redesigns business resiliency and embraces — even welcomes — change.

WORKFORCE
- Empowers employees to work and collaborate anywhere
- Optimizes each employee experience for performance, cost & security
- Extends enterprise-class operations to the home or other remote location

WORKPLACE
- Ensures employee safety and wellness
- Expands operational consistency across environments
- Enables a secure and seamless distributed work model on top of a redesigned network

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3. The Business Case for Remote Work for Employers, Employees, the Environment, and Society by Global Workplace Analytics

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