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## **Portnox Puts Fingerprints On Iot Devices To Improve Security**

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That could prove to be a valuable capability at a time when IoT is expanding throughout enterprise networks. Developers of IoT products and the companies deploying them have not always prioritized security, which may be less of an issue when deployments are small and tightly controlled than when they begin to grow and enterprises start to see more use cases and applications for IoT throughout their organizations.

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AMD began with ESnet, headquartered at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in California, in 2018. The extreme scale packet monitoring system of the current iteration uses AMD Alveo U280 FPGA-based network-attached accelerator cards at the core network switching nodes, according to AMD.

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"This will enable high-touch packet processing and help improve the accuracy of network monitoring and management to enhance performance," according to an AMD statement. "The programmable hardware allows for new capabilities to be added for continuous innovation in the network."

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CEO Pat Gelsion signaled the possibility of cuts in its second quarter earnings report, noting the chipmaker would be "lowering core expenses in calendar year 2022 and will look to take additional actions in the second half of the year." The company currently employs nearly 114,000 people worldwide.

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Skeleton in Germany is a leading developer and manufacturer of supercapacitors through deals with Siemens and other suppliers.

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Under the agreement, Siemens will become ACC's preferred supplier in automation, digitalization, and electrification technology and could also provide funding for the gigafactories. Siemens had previously signed several technology partnerships with Northvolt and Inobat in Europe as well as LGChem.

The Xcelerator open digital business platform was launched in June with a curated portfolio of IoT-enabled hardware and software and commitment to strong partnerships aims to accelerate digital transformation.