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QSC announces the availability of software-based Dante for the Q-SYS ecosystem, allowing customers to enable Dante networked audio integration on Q-SYS Core 110f processors running Q-SYS Designer v8.31 or higher.

The software implementation eliminates the need for additional hardware I/O to integrate Dante into the Q-SYS audio, video and control workflow, and increases platform interoperability between Q-SYS and Dante-enabled devices.

"We were thrilled to work with Audinate to deliver the industry's first software-based Dante implementation on a DSP processor," QSC says. "This launch delivers on our steadfast commitment to software innovation within the Q-SYS Ecosystem. Software-based Dante expands the capabilities of the Q-SYS Core 110f processor, and allows integration of Dante devices into those smaller Q-SYS systems that might have been cost prohibitive with our larger Core processors."

Core 110f processors sold after 30 March 2020 include an 8x8 Dante network audio channel

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license, while Core 110f processors sold prior to the date can purchase the 8x8 channel license. Furthermore, all Core 110f processors are capable of licensing higher Dante channel count options (16x16 or 32x32). Software-based Dante will be available for the remaining Q-SYS processors (namely the Core 510i and 5200) later in 2020.

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