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## ADTRAN's Mike Foliano Elected to QuEST Forum Executive Board

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Foliano to join board and continue helping set the bar for global quality and sustainability practices

HUNTSVILLE, Ala.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 14, 2016-- **ADTRAN®**, Inc., (NASDAQ: ADTN), a leading provider of next-generation open networking solutions, announced today that Mike Foliano, senior vice president of operations, has been elected to the QuEST Forum Executive Board for a two-year term as Director. The group oversees and helps to facilitate the adoption of the Forum's key initiatives such as technology performance benchmarking and the implementation of TL 9000, a quality management system for creating supply chain directives throughout the information communications technology (ICT) industry. As a founding member of the QuEST Forum, ADTRAN will continue to lend its expertise and commitment towards the creation of quality and sustainability practices for the ICT industry as a whole.

"QuEST Forum provides the opportunity for those in the ICT industry to come together from across the globe to improve the quality and sustainability of new technologies and facilitate rapid adoption. I am very pleased to have Mike join our Executive Board. Mike brings significant experience in the telecommunications industry and will assist in shaping the direction the Forum takes in the coming years," said Fraser Pajak, CEO of QuEST Forum. "As we continue to improve upon industry quality and performance practices, we will rely on our Executive Board members like Mike to contribute to the organization's growth and help oversee established ICT initiatives."

The practices and initiatives that QuEST Forum is responsible for creating reaches a broad variety of companies worldwide, including tier 1 telecommunication carriers such as AT&T and Verizon. Foliano will be leveraging the knowledge and experience that both he and ADTRAN has to further the Forum's goals of lessening new technology

risks, improving the performance of technology for businesses and increasing overall customer satisfaction.

“QuEST Forum is one of the key industry influencers for quality and sustainability practices in the ICT community. I am honored to represent ADTRAN on the QuEST Forum Executive Board and help create and advocate for initiatives that affect the entire ICT industry,” said Foliano. “I look forward to working with fellow board members to continue fostering worldwide adoption of the Forum’s industry initiatives, provide new avenues for quality assurance and be a part of a global force that aims to improve the quality of services and products across the industry.”

## About ADTRAN

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