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Above: Philips Pronto controller displaying the new Imerge interface

Imerge and Philips Team Up to Deliver Stunning Interface for Pronto Controllers

New ProntoScript-based module delivers slick, rich graphical interface for Imerge music and movie server components

Imerge, the Cambridge-based pioneer of hard-disk home media servers, has developed a new software module for Philips' powerful and popular Pronto touchscreen control panels.

The module provides a bespoke, graphically rich interface for the top-of-the-line TSU9800 and TSU9600 Pronto controllers, ensuring full compatibility with Imerge's range of audio and video servers whilst delivering a satisfyingly intuitive user experience.

Based on Philips' ProntoScript platform, the new module provides control for Imerge's SoundServer S3000 – the world's best-selling audio server – as well as the ever-popular MediaServer MS5000 and groundbreaking MediaServer MS1, both of which are highly specified audio/video server components. The module is fully compliant with Imerge's XiVALink 3 control protocol, ensuring an unparalleled level of functionality.

Commenting on the new Pronto control module, Charlie Mertz, Business Development Manager for Imerge, said:

“By integrating Imerge's XiVALink 3 functionality with Philips' ProntoScript environment, we have produced a slick, rich and highly intuitive graphical interface. This is the most advanced module yet devised for Pronto media server control, enriching the Imerge experience and delivering a deeply satisfying way for users to interface with their media.”

The Imerge Pronto module is available free of charge to Imerge users who purchase a compatible Philips Pronto controller. Interested parties should contact their local Imerge dealer/installer for details.

Key Features: Imerge Pronto Module

- Audio and video library
- Browsing by artwork, track, album, artist, genre, year, era and playlists
- Full metadata and artwork over wi-fi
- Build playlists and play queues
- Keyword search and speed scroll in lists
- Film synopses
- Transport control and scroll wheel support
- Imerge TV UI navigation (from the 'now playing' screen)
- Pronto TSU9800 and TSU9600 support (TSU9400 coming soon)



Created Philips, the consumer electronics giant, Pronto offers a complete range of control solutions for the home automation market. Known for their stylish designs, easy handling and advanced technology, Pronto control panels are distributed worldwide for residential and commercial applications. With the TSU9200, TSU9300, TSU9400, TSU9600 and TSU9800, the Pronto range offers a control solution suited to every need and every pocket. In tandem with the new Imerge module, Pronto continues to push back the boundaries of control, providing a uniquely rich and perfectly tailored interface that further enhances the Pronto experience – complete home automation at your fingertips.

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Based in Cambridge, England, Imerge is a global leader in hard disk media server technology. The company was formed in 1997 with the specific intention to revolutionise the way we store and use entertainment media; two years later it launched the first-ever dedicated audio server. The company's current product range includes the world's best-selling music server, the S3000, together with the MediaServer MS1 and XiVASafe ultra-secure storage system – the most advanced management and archiving solution for high-definition music and movies currently available. In addition to its own server range, the company's pioneering development of internet-enabled media management software under its XiVA brand has cemented its status as the leading supplier of OEM server technology to the custom installation and premium AV industry worldwide. Imerge is part of the Nortek Group of Companies.

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