

## **Petrov Group Announces Dual Socket Server Outlook— Forthcoming AMD and Intel DS Platforms White Paper**

PALO ALTO, Calif.—(BUSINESS WIRE)—May 1, 2006—The Petrov Group today announced its white paper on the prospects of dual socket platforms, by far the dominant segment of server compute nodes. The white paper is available at the [www.petrovgroup.com](http://www.petrovgroup.com) site; its outline is:

- Dual Socket Platform Market
- Dual Socket Continuing Dominance
- x86 Dual Socket Platform Architectures
- SMP Architecture and NUMA Architectures
- Forthcoming AMD Dual Socket Platform
- Forthcoming Intel Dual Socket Platform

“Our findings clearly confirm that dual socket platforms will remain the “sweet spot” unit volume for servers, and that the trend to multi-core processors and performance improvements in processors, memory, and interconnect endorses the dual socket platform as the mainstream server boards,” said Boris Petrov, managing partner of the Petrov Group.

“By most accounts 2006 will see formidable dual socket platform products based on Intel’s new architecture. This expectation will be demonstrated and verified in the coming weeks and months since prototypes are already being extensively tested; current predictions of Götterdämmerung by industry pundits may be premature.”

The Petrov Group, LLC is a strategy and investment advisory firm focused on the high-tech industry since 1982. It is recognized for pragmatic due diligence; its methodology includes proprietary models; several of which are shown at [www.petrovgroup.com](http://www.petrovgroup.com)

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