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Microchip Offers Award-winning MPLAB® XC PRO Compilers in Low-cost, Renewable Monthly Subscription License

With the Ability to License PRO Compiling Optimizations on an As Needed Basis, Embedded System Designers Enjoy Profound Flexibility

CHANDLER, Ariz., Jan. 12, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- Microchip Technology Inc. (NASDAQ: MCHP), a leading provider of microcontroller, analog and Flash-IP solutions, today announced a flexible, low-cost, renewable monthly subscription license for the PRO editions of its award-winning [MPLAB® XC](#) line of C compilers. The MPLAB XC8, XC16 and XC32 compilers offer reduced complexity, and provide the best execution speed and code size for all ~1,400 [PIC® microcontrollers](#) (MCUs) and dsPIC® Digital Signal Controllers (DSCs), and are available with three optimization levels—Free, Standard and PRO. By offering a monthly-subscription PRO license, Microchip is providing 8, 16 and 32-bit MCU designers the ability to make use of the most features and best code optimization only when needed in the design cycle. Subscribers will also have the ability to receive updated versions of the MPLAB XC compiler type they are subscribed to, without the need for an active Microchip [MPLAB XC High Priority Access](#) (HPA) maintenance subscription. Unlike most software subscriptions, this license is not cloud-based, providing designers the additional flexibility of using the compilers offline.



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To learn more about the features and different optimization levels of the MPLAB XC compilers, visit <http://www.microchip.com/Compilers-120115a>.

"By adopting the PRO optimizations found in Microchip's MPLAB XC compilers, embedded systems designers have more optimized code sizes and enhanced program execution speed," said Derek Carlson, Microchip's vice president of Development Tools. "Now, with the most flexible compiler licensing option in the industry, customers will also enjoy the freedom to make use of PRO-level compiling only when needed."

The MPLAB XC compilers provide support for the Linux, Mac OS® and Windows® operating systems, enabling designers to use their platform of choice for embedded development. Additionally, MPLAB XC is part of Microchip's integrated tool chain of compatible compilers and debugger/programmers that operate seamlessly within the universal, cross-platform and open-source [MPLAB X integrated development environment](#), reducing both learning curves and tool investments. MPLAB XC compilers are also compatible with the legacy MPLAB IDE.

Pricing & Availability

Renewable monthly subscription licenses for the following compilers are available today for \$29.95 per month, for each compiler, by visiting

<http://www.microchip.com/microchipDIRECT-120115a>: MPLAB XC8 PRO Compiler Subscription License (Part # SW006021-SUB), MPLAB XC16 PRO Compiler Subscription License (Part #SW006022-SUB), MPLAB XC32/XC32++ PRO Compiler Subscription License (Part #SW006023-SUB).

The subscription renews automatically on a monthly basis, and can be canceled and restarted at any time. Additionally, Free editions of the MPLAB XC compilers are available for download, and they include the option of a 60-day PRO evaluation trial, at

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