

ASUS Announces Lyra Voice

Three-in-one AiMesh router, Amazon Alexa and Bluetooth stereo speakers provide whole-home WiFi, convenient assistance and smart-home control and immersive audio

KEY POINTS

- **Whole home WiFi with AiMesh** — Tri-band WiFi router works with any AiMesh router to create or extend a mesh network for smooth whole-home connections
- **Built-in Amazon Alexa** — Hands-free help from Alexa who can answer spoken questions and control smart home devices
- **Immersive Surround Sound with Stereo Speakers** — Bluetooth speaker with ASUS and DTS audio technology for immersive music and audio streaming

Amsterdam, the Netherlands, January 4, 2019 — ASUS today announced Lyra Voice, an all-in-one home network solution featuring an integrated 802.11ac (Wi-Fi 5) AiMesh Wi-Fi router, Amazon Alexa virtual assistant and Bluetooth stereo speakers. Its all-in-one design eliminates the need for a separate Wi-Fi router and smart speaker and keep the home free from the clutter caused by having multiple devices. With Lyra Voice, users can enjoy fast and stable Wi-Fi throughout their home, listening to music, news and podcasts through great-sounding stereo speakers, controlling smart-home devices with their voice and all of the other benefits that a virtual assistant provides. Lyra Voice also features lifetime-free home network security with AiProtection Pro powered by Trend Micro and advanced parental controls to ensure a safe and enjoyable internet experience for all family members.

Whole home WiFi Coverage with AiMesh support

Lyra Voice supports operation in three types of WiFi modes: as an AiMesh router or node, as a stand-alone router and as a universal WiFi repeater. ASUS AiMesh technology lets users create a seamless, whole-home WiFi system with any combination of compatible ASUS routers. As an AiMesh router, Lyra Voice enables users to easily create a powerful, seamless and flexible whole-home WiFi system.

As an AiMesh node, Lyra Voice extends a current AiMesh WiFi network, so users can place it anywhere they need additional stable WiFi coverage and a smart speaker, such as in the kitchen or family room.

When used as an AiMesh node, Lyra Voice inherits all of the current settings and powerful features available on the primary AiMesh router, such as Game Boost and screen-time management tools.

Lyra Voice also works as a stand-alone router and makes a great choice for the hub of a smart-home network if a smart assistant is needed in the same location where the internet connection enters the home. As a smart-home hub, Lyra Voice provides fast and stable WiFi to all connected smart devices and makes it easy to add more AiMesh nodes to the network in future.

As a WiFi repeater, Lyra Voice lets users extend their current WiFi network to eliminate WiFi dead zones and provide better WiFi coverage within the home. Lyra Voice works perfectly with almost any other router on the market, still making it an ideal choice for users who do not own other AiMesh routers.

Integrated Amazon Alexa

Lyra Voice integrates Amazon Alexa, enabling users to enjoy all the convenient benefits of the virtual assistant, such as asking questions, listening to the news and traffic information, playing music and controlling smart-home devices, without the need for a separate smart speaker. Integrating Alexa in Lyra Voice also eliminates connection issues between traditional WiFi routers and separate smart speakers, while keeping surfaces free from the clutter of multiple devices. Lyra Voice features a pair of microphones with 360°, far-field voice detection to easily pick-up commands and questions for Alexa, even when spoken at low volume or from across the room. Additionally, a Synaptics audio chip provides enhanced noise cancellation and background-noise filtering to ensure Lyra Voice can always hear users' voices, even when music is playing at high volume.

Immersive surround sound with stereo speakers

Lyra Voice also features two built-in stereo speakers with passive radiators and bass reflex ports to extend resonance of low-frequency sound. The speakers have been tuned by expert audio engineers on the ASUS Golden Ear team to ensure they deliver maximum audio fidelity. This sophisticated speaker design and tuning combined with DTS surround-sound technology enables Lyra Voice to deliver natural, full-sounding audio that's incredibly spacious and immersive. With Lyra Voice, users can play music from their favorite streaming service or stream audio from their smart device via Bluetooth.

A safer internet experience for families and all connected devices

Lyra Voice not only enables users to connect all of their smart devices to fast, stable WiFi and enjoy the convenient benefits of Amazon Alexa, it also incorporates AiProtection Pro, commercial-grade security for home networks. Powered by Trend Micro™, AiProtection Pro keeps every connected smart device on the

network, including IoT devices, safe from Internet threats. It also comes with free updates for the life of the product to ensure protection stays current and effective.

Lyra Voice also comes with state-of-the-art parental controls that let parents keep a watchful eye on how much time children are spending online and set time limits and schedules. Parents can also block specific categories of mobile apps and websites and then apply them to all devices belonging to a particular family member, while allowing free access to the rest of the internet.

AVAILABILITY & PRICING

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SPECIFICATIONS¹

Model	Lyra Voice
Overview	AC2200 Mesh Router + Alexa Voice Assistant+ Bluetooth Speaker
Speaker	8-Watt stereo speaker x 2 Passive Radiator x 2
Operating frequency	2.4GHz/5GHz-1/5GHz-2
Encryption	64-bit WEP, 128-bit WEP, WPA2-PSK, WPA PSK, WPS support
Memory size (RAM/FLASH)	512MB/256MB
Bluetooth	Bluetooth 4.2
I/O ports	WAN Port x 1, LAN Port x 1
Antenna	6 internal single-band antennas (5GHz x 4 + 2GHz x 2) 1 internal Bluetooth antenna
DC Power Adapter	AC Input: 110V~240V (50~60Hz) DC Output: 19 V with max 2.375A current
Language Support (Alexa Voice Service)	Deutsch (Germany/Austria) English (United States) English (Canada) English (India) English (Australia) English (United Kingdom) Español (Spain) Español (Mexico) Français (France) Italiano (Italy) Japanese (Japan)
Alexa ability	Alexa Skills Music services Free audio calls ² to US, Mexico and Canada
Controls smart home devices	Will be supported in Q1 2019

¹ Specifications, content and product availability are all subject to change without notice and may differ from country to country.

Actual performance may vary depending on applications, usage, environment and other factors. Full specifications are available at <http://www.asus.com>

² Available Q2 2019

Features	AiMesh mode Router/AP/Repeater mode AiProtection Spotify Connect
Microphone features	Far-field mic array Echo cancellation 360-degree sound detection
Bluetooth speaker	Yes

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