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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

**PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of May 2006

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ALVARION LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

21A Habarzel Street, Tel Aviv 69710, Israel

(Address of principal executive office)

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<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Sequential Description</u>	<u>Page Number</u>
1.	Press release on ALVARION TO HOST IEEE 802.16 AND WIMAX FORUM™ CONFERENCES, FIRST TIME ORGANIZATIONS CONVENE IN ISRAEL , dated <u>May 8</u> , 2006	4

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ALVARION LTD.

Date: May 8, 2006

By: /s/ Dafna Gruber
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ALVARION TO HOST IEEE 802.16 AND WiMAX FORUM™ CONFERENCES,
FIRST TIME ORGANIZATIONS CONVENE IN ISRAEL

International Representatives to Meet with Israeli Telecommunications Leaders

Tel Aviv, Israel, May 8, 2006--Alvarion Ltd. (NASDAQ:ALVR), the world's leading provider of wireless broadband solutions and specialized mobile networks, today announced that it will be the host and sponsor of the IEEE 802.16 and WiMAX Forum Technical and Certification Working Groups conferences. The IEEE 802.16 conference begins today in Tel Aviv and the WiMAX Forum Technical Working Group and Certification Working Group conference will be held May 13 - 17th in Caesarea.

The IEEE 802.16 standards body for broadband wireless access (BWA) develops standards and recommends practices to support the development and deployment of broadband wireless metropolitan area networks. IEEE 802.16 is a unit of the IEEE 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee, the premier transnational forum for wireless networking standardization. The WiMAX Forum™ is working to facilitate the deployment of broadband wireless networks based on the IEEE 802.16 standard by helping to ensure the compatibility and interoperability of broadband wireless access equipment. Its Technical Working Group develops conformance test specifications and certification services based on globally accepted practices to achieve worldwide interoperability for BWA systems. The Certification Working Group handles the operational aspects of the WiMAX Forum Certified program.

"As Alvarion has been an active leader of both the IEEE 802.16 and WiMAX Forum since their inception, we are very excited to host these two groups in Israel on their inaugural visit," commented Naftali Chayat, Alvarion's Chief Scientist. "We see invaluable results coming from these conferences as each meeting moves us closer to our and the industry's vision of WiMAX technology becoming a mass deployment solution for broadband services worldwide."

Also during the conference, a special event—organized by Alvarion—will give the representatives of IEEE 802.16 and WiMAX Forum the opportunity to interact with members of the robust Israeli wireless industry to learn from each other's knowledge and experience.

Highlights of the conference agendas include:

- **Dr. Roger Marks of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), USA, and Chairman of the IEEE 802.16.** Dr. Marks is a Fellow of the IEEE Microwave Technology Society and will present on "IEEE 802.16 - Achievements, Status and Plans".

- **Dr. Mitsuo Nohara of KDDI Research Laboratories, Japan.** Dr. Nohara is chairman of the newly established 802.16j Mobile Multihop Relay group in 802.16 and will present "An Overview of the 802.16j Mobile Multihop Relay Task Group".
- **Jose Puthenkulam of Intel's standards team.** Intel plays an integral role in the WiMAX Forum and Mr. Puthenkulam will speak on "WiMAX Developments".

Interested parties can obtain more information at
<http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/16/meetings/mtg43/index.html>.

About Alvarion

With more than 2 million units deployed in 150 countries, Alvarion is the worldwide leader in wireless broadband, providing systems to carriers, ISPs and private network operators, and also in extending coverage of GSM and CDMA mobile networks to developing countries and other hard to serve areas.

Leading the WiMAX revolution, Alvarion has the most extensive deployments and proven product portfolio in the industry covering the full range of frequency bands with both fixed and mobile solutions. Alvarion's products enable the delivery of business and residential broadband access, corporate VPNs, toll quality telephony, mobile base station feeding, hotspot coverage extension, community interconnection, public safety communications, and mobile voice and data. Alvarion works with several global OEM providers and more than 200 local partners to support its diverse global customer base in solving their last-mile challenges.

As a wireless broadband pioneer, Alvarion has been driving and delivering innovations for more than 10 years from core technology developments to creating and promoting industry standards. Leveraging its key roles in the IEEE and HiperMAN standards committees and experience in deploying OFDM-based systems, the Company's prominent work in the WiMAX Forum™ is focused on increasing the widespread adoption of standards-based products in the wireless broadband market and leading the entire industry to mobile WiMAX solutions.

For more information, visit Alvarion's World Wide Web site at www.alvarion.com

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