# DIGITAL SNAKE SD8

I/O Stage Box with 8 Remote-Controllable MIDAS Preamps, 8 Outputs, AES50 Networking and ULTRANET Personal Monitoring Hub

- 8 MIDAS-designed, fully programmable mic preamps for audiophile sound quality
- 8 analog, servo-balanced XLR outputs
- AES50 network ports featuring KLARK TEKNIK's SuperMAC networking capability for ultra-low jitter and latency
- Integrated 2-port ULTRANET distribution hub for direct connection of BEHRINGER's P16 personal monitoring systems
- Two programmable Hi-Z inputs allow for direct connection of guitars—no DI box needed
- Rack ears and protection bumpers included for installed and mobile applications
- Dual AES50 ports for cascading multiple units no merger or router required
- Up to 100 m networking capability via CAT-5e cable (not included)
- USB connector for system updates via PC
- Ultra-compact and roadworthy, all-steel chassis
- 3-Year Warranty Program\*
- Conceived and designed by BEHRINGER Germany



Digital mixing has revolutionized virtually everything in the liveentertainment production workflow. Now we've come up with the perfect solution for connecting the onstage talent with your Front of House (FOH) console, and the rest of the world – the ultra-cool and ultra-affordable SD8 Stage Box! The SD8 provides 8 MIDAS-designed remote-controllable mic preamps,



8 balanced analog XLR returns at the stage end, plus an integrated 2-port ULTRANET distribution hub for direct connection to our P16-M personal monitor mixers – without any additional hardware required. Plus the SD8 is extremely compact and comes with rugged protective bumpers, so you can toss them directly on stage wherever you need them. The best part – all it takes is a single Cat 5e cable per stage box. And If you need more inputs, or just want to keep your cable runs short and tidy, putting an SD8 at stage front and another behind the drum riser gives you an additional 8 inputs for drum and guitar/bass amp mic'ing.



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### **MIDAS - The Legend in Sound Quality**

Ever since its formation in the 1970s, MIDAS has had a long history of innovation and leadership in the world of audio mixing consoles. Employed by the most famous touring acts and installations world-wide, legendary MIDAS consoles such as the XL4 and Heritage H3000 quickly became industry standards.

MIDAS has earned their impeccable reputation due to their no-compromise approach for audio and build quality and in particular for their Award-winning Mic Preamps which are considered by industry experts as the industry's best sounding designs. Building on this legacy, the XL8 and PRO Series of Live Mixing Systems continue this great heritage of Award-winning audio quality.

BEHRINGER is proud to incorporate a MIDAS designed mic preamp for the ultimate in high-quality audio reproduction in both live and studio environments. Find out more about MIDAS' amazing legacy by visiting their extensive website.





### **Convenient Connectivity**

When used as part of a complete X32 system, as many as three SD8 Stage Boxes can be cascaded via the built-in AES50 ports to provide up to 24 bidirectional channels and 24 balanced XLR outputs. The built-in ULTRANET distribution hub provides power and 16 channels of audio to 2 BEHRINGER POWERPLAY P16-M personal monitor mixers per SD8, all via inexpensive Cat 5e cabling – and without any additional hardware. We also made two of the programmable inputs compatible with Hi-Z sources, so you can connect keyboards, acoustic and bass guitars, etc., no DI box required. The SD8 even features an onboard USB port for fast and easy system updates using your PC.



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#### **Remotely Controllable Preamps Make Setup a Breeze**

The SD8 Stage Box is a studio/live sound engineer's dream come true. Setup is extremely easy, with virtually all parameter control taking place at the console – including the award-winning MIDAS-designed mic preamps, +48 V phantom power, destination routing, etc. Just put the SD8 where you want it, run a few Cat 5e, mic and instrument cables – and head for the console. The SD8 makes setting the stage up virtually foolproof!





### Seamless Integration with P-16 Personal Monitoring System

The ULTRANET ports on the SD8 let you connect two P16-M personal monitor mixers, providing an easy and affordable way to give your musicians and vocalists what they really want – "more me!" P16-M Personal Mixers let each performer take control of what they hear, allowing you to concentrate on providing the audience with the best possible listening experience. Fast and easy to set up, a basic system can be installed and configured in a matter of minutes, and the system can be expanded to adapt to changing needs. This built-in ULTRANET connectivity provides power and 16 channels of audio over inexpensive and lightweight Cat 5e cabling, which means you no longer need an external distribution hub, or onstage power supplies for your P16-M monitor mixers!



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#### **KLARK TEKNIK AES50**

KLARK TEKNIK SuperMAC (AES50-Compliant) technology gives the SD8 its high-capacity, ultra-low latency digital interconnectivity, as well as superbly simple deployment and ease of use. KLARK TEKNIK engineers worked hand-in-hand with BEHRINGER to ensure the SD8 meets, or exceeds, the requirements of live entertainers and their professional audio engineers. Some of the outstanding features are:

- 48 bidirectional audio channels over Cat 5e cable (48 kHz)
- 24 bidirectional audio channels over Cat 5e cable (96 kHz)
- Single cable duplex interconnection for audio and sample clocks
- Ethernet physical layer audio data transmission
- High channel count and ultra-low deterministic latency
- Accurate phase-aligned clock distribution.
- Comprehensive error detection and management
- Provision for redundant networking
- Minimal configuration total ease of deployment and use
- Ethernet TCP/IP protocol-compatible auxiliary data channel
- Royalty-free implementations available as Xilinx FPGA cores
- OEM modules available from developer partners





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#### **Extreme Value**

As you can see, the SD8 is an extremely versatile 8 x 8 digital stage box solution with remotecontrollable MIDAS-designed mic preamps, KLARK TEKNIK's AES50 connectivity and a wealth of other professional-grade features – all at a price anyone can afford! Built tough enough to withstand the rigors of the road, the SD8 connects to FOH with a single, inexpensive Cat 5e cable. Now you can have the missing link between the stage and FOH at a fraction of the cost of competing systems – and we back it with a comprehensive warranty program.





### You Are Covered

We always strive to provide the best possible Customer Experience. Our products are made in our own MUSIC Group factory using state-of-the-art automation, enhanced production workflows and quality assurance labs with the most sophisticated test equipment available in the world. As a result, we have one of the lowest product failure rates in the industry, and we confidently back it up with a generous 3-Year Warranty program.



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