

ALVARION LTD  
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UNITED STATES  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 6-K**

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16

OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of November 2008

Commission File Number: 0-30628

**ALVARION LTD.**

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

21A Habarzel Street, Tel Aviv 69710, Israel

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(Address of principal executive office)

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The following are included in this report on Form 6-K:

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| 1.             | Press release on <b>Alvarion® Leads the African WiMAX Market with 60 Commercial Deployments in over 30 Countries.</b><br>Dated <u>November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008</u> | 3                             |

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**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: November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2008

By: /s/ Efrat Makov

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**EXHIBIT 1**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Alvarion® Leads the African WiMAX Market with 60 Commercial Deployments in over 30 Countries**

*Company further demonstrates its commitment to Africa with end-to-end tailored solutions, turnkey projects, local presence*

*Visit Alvarion at AfricaCom, Cape Town, Booth C12A, November 18-19*

**CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA, November 18, 2008** Alvarion Ltd. (NASDAQ: ALVR), the world's leading provider of WiMAX and wireless broadband solutions, today announced that it continues to lead the market in Africa as the African operators' preferred choice with 60 networks commercially deployed and a distinguished list of customers. Key achievements in Africa include deployments in over 30 countries; customer base of tier-1 operators, pan-African operators, incumbents; and strong local partners.

Broadband coverage using WiMAX will become an integral part of Africa's life, said Mr. Kai Wulff, Managing Director of KDN. The challenge to provide broadband services to all users, at all times and places, requires a vendor that is committed to the region and technology. Alvarion's WiMAX portfolio presents an optimized roadmap with respect to the solution, cost, and ecosystem, and is clearly a leading vendor with the ability to lead the market today and well into the future.

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WiMAX allows lower costs compared to other technologies and is considered the ideal technology for emerging markets, encouraging new entrants with attractive business models. The privatization process of African incumbents further promotes competition in the telecom arena, and by 2010 the majority of African countries are expected to take part in this highly potential competition.

The African market is definitely flourishing with WiMAX and is expected to grow from a few hundred thousand subscribers to more than 10 million WiMAX subscribers over the next several years, said Tzvika Friedman, president and CEO of Alvarion. Given Africa's growth potential for WiMAX, we intend to leverage our ongoing success as we extend deployments throughout the region. Together with our strong local partners, we remain fully committed to the African market and focused on supporting our customers with end-to-end WiMAX offerings and a proven track record that includes tailored solutions, applications, technical support and training.

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Wireless broadband connectivity is becoming an integral part of the daily life in Africa for both business and residential customers, said Berge Ayvazian, Chief Strategy Officer of Yankee Group. Just as wireless networks have created an explosion of mobile cellular telephony, wireless technology will make broadband affordable and available anywhere for rapid adoption by consumers and businesses. The lack of wired infrastructure in Africa positions WiMAX into an ideal technology for providing voice and broadband Internet service across the continent, and enabling cost efficient solutions for the benefit of operators and end-users alike. With an already strong and established presence in the region, Alvarion is well-positioned to help increase the regional uptake of WiMAX-based broadband services.

#### **About Alvarion**

Alvarion is the largest WiMAX pure player, ensuring customer long-term success with fixed and mobile solutions for the full range of frequency bands. Based on its OPEN WiMAX strategy, the company offers superior wireless broadband infrastructure and an all-IP best-of-breed ecosystem in cooperation with its strategic partners. Alvarion has delivered over 200 commercial WiMAX deployments worldwide ([www.alvarion.com](http://www.alvarion.com)).

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