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Altair Engineering announces keynote speaker for 2009 European HyperWorks Technology Conference in Ludwigsburg, Germany

Event features keynote presentations from six industry leaders, and includes more than 90 technical presentations

TROY, Mich., August 31st, 2009 – Altair Engineering, Inc., a leading global provider of technology and services that empower client innovation and decision-making, today announced keynote speakers of the 2009 European HyperWorks Technology Conference (HTC). In total, six prominent Altair customers have confirmed to participate in the conference’s keynote sessions taking place on November 3rd and 4th. Attendees can look forward to visionary keynote presentations from: Aristotelis Vissaridis, Airbus; Gennaro Monacelli, CNH; Manfred Seiler, Eurocopter; Christoph Gumbel, Porsche; Laurent di Valentin, PSA Peugeot Citroën; and Steffen Bobsien, Siemens Transportations, who will give valuable insight into the use of Enterprise Simulation within their industries. Altair’s CEO James Scapa and Altair’s Vice Presidents for Product Development, Uwe Schramm and Massimo Fariello, will give updates on the future strategic development of Altair and its products within the keynote sessions.

Additionally, Altair confirmed more than 90 technical presentations from customers from across industries, bringing the total amount of presentations to almost 100. The conference agenda offers 19 sessions focusing on: Optimization, Safety, Development Process, Aerospace, Manufacturing, Composites, Civil Engineering/Nuclear Engineering, and Multi-body Dynamics.

“I’m very pleased to see that we could involve such a high number of customers and partners into the program of the 3rd European conference,” said Michael Hoffmann, Vice President European Operations, Altair Engineering. “With the challenging economical situation, I consider it a huge success to have confirmed more presentations for 2009 than for former European HTCs. This shows, that the interest in Enterprise Simulation is at least as high as last year and that companies in all industries are constantly looking for improvements and saving potential in their development processes. As the presentations of our customers will reveal, HyperWorks – with its unique licensing system that also includes third party products from our HyperWorks Enabled Partners – can offer exactly this.”

The three day event will kick off on November 2nd with three technical workshops. All 2009 conference workshops will cover relevant industry topics and highlight customer case studies in each area.

- Robust Crash Analysis
- Best Practice in Switching FE-Solvers
- Accelerating Turbo Machinery Development

The workshop sessions will be held by Altair experts, while the discussed case studies will be presented by some of Altair's most important industry customers.

Furthermore, on November 2nd, Altair will host meetings for its customers from the educational sector and users of solidThinking, the CAID software offered by Altair's subsidiary company solidThinking.

The technology showcase of the conference will open at 6pm on November 2nd with a welcome reception. Confirmed sponsors and exhibitors at the 3rd European HTC include: SUN, Bull, Cradle, FLUIDON, HP, Magna Powertrain, METACOMP Technologies, nCode (HBM), TASS, Acusim, DYNAmore, E-xstream, FTSS, IBM, Intes, Microsoft, NAFEMS, PEC, Samtech, solidThinking, and Virtual Dimensions Center.

Due to the current economical climate, this year's conference will be free of charge for all attendees. For more information on the European HTC 09 and to register please visit www.altairhtc.com/europe.

About Altair Engineering

Altair Engineering, Inc. strengthens client innovation and decision-making through technology that optimizes the analysis, management and visualization of business and engineering information. Privately held with more than 1,300 employees, Altair has offices throughout North America, Europe and Asia/Pacific. With a 20-year-plus track record for product design, advanced engineering software and grid computing technologies, Altair consistently delivers a competitive advantage to customers in a broad range of industries. To learn more, please visit www.altair.com.

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