ESI announces its upcoming User Forums in Germany, Czech Republic and Japan

Where users will share and learn from the latest applications in Virtual Prototyping

Paris, France – September 14, 2015 – ESI Group, pioneer and world-leading solution provider in Virtual Prototyping for manufacturing industries, announces its upcoming user forums this autumn in Czech Republic, Germany and Japan. These events are an opportunity to hear from ESI Product teams about the latest software releases, and from fellow users about the benefits gained from Virtual Prototyping.

The first forum of this season, ESI's India Forum 2015 gathered over 200 participants on September 9 in Pune, India. This 1-day conference featured presentations by ESI customers ARAI, Armstrong, BARC, Bajaj, CSIR India, Jaya Hind, John Deere, Lear Corporation, Mahindra, the Indian Ministry of Defense, Tata Motors, Visteon and Whirlpool. More information can be found at www.esi-group.com/IndiaForum2015

Coming up next, two events taking place in the Czech Republic will address specifically the numerical simulation of casting processes and the multiple domain virtual testing of products. Held exclusively in Czech language, ESI's Casting User Meeting will take place on September 24 in Brno, Czech Republic. During this meeting, local casting simulation experts will hear about the latest developments of ProCAST — ESI's leading solution for casting process simulation, which this year celebrates 25 years of excellence! They will also enjoy opportunities for informal discussion with peers and ESI's casting team. For more info, please visit: www.esi-group.com/casting-user-meeting-2015

ESI's VPS User Forum is scheduled on September 29 - 30 in Břasy, Czech Republic. Held in both Czech and English, the event is designed for all simulation engineers using ESI's Virtual Performance Solution (VPS) and especially for those involved in the virtual testing of products across multiple performance domains — from crash to safety, NVH, statics, dynamics and impact. Sign up now to meet with ESI's VPS product team and learn from other users: www.esi-group.com/VPSForum2015

On October 7 - 8, the 3rd edition of ESI's DACH Forum 2015, dedicated to a German-speaking audience, will take place in Bamberg, Germany. The forum provides an exciting overview of the latest innovations in the field of Virtual Prototyping. Expert in physics **Dr. Hubert Zitt** will open the forum with a Keynote on Einstein's general relativity theory connected to Star Trek (link in German). Attendees can then choose from 5 parallel tracks addressing Virtual Performance, Virtual Manufacturing of composite materials, Sheet Metal Forming, Welding & Heat

Treatment, and Virtual Reality. Customers presenting at the DACH Forum 2015 include AAC, Airbus, Airbus Helicopters, Audi, Bilstein, BMW, Bombardier, CMC Engineers, Daimler, Delta Management, DOW, ESZETT, Fraunhofer, Honda, Humanetics, ifawiss, IMSYS, Inpro, ISKO Engineers, M-TEC, Schaeffler Technologies, Opel, ThyssenKrupp, ESI's longest served customer Volkswagen, as well as Universities and advanced technical colleges. To learn more and register for the event, please visit: www.esi-group.com/DACHForum2015

ESI's PUCA 2015, the 26th edition of ESI's User Forum in Japan, will be held in Tokyo, on November 19 - 20. Over 500 participants are expected to attend this popular event, spanning various industry sectors including automotive, aerospace, rail, ground transportation, heavy industries, energy, electronics or consumer goods. PUCA 2015 will offer live demonstrations of ESI's Virtual Reality solution IC.IDO and Pro-SiVIC, a technology dedicated to the development and integration of embedded Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) and acquired by ESI Group earlier this year. This year, organizers are already announcing a specific track for OpenFOAM, featuring OpenFOAM developers and a UserX day for industrial manufacturers to make the most of ESI's open-source CFD code. All sessions will have simultaneous translation to enable full participation in Japanese or English. For more information and to register for the event, please visit: www.esi-group.com/PUCA2015

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ESI is a world-leading provider of Virtual Product Engineering software and services with a strong foundation in the physics of the materials of which products are built.

Founded over 40 years ago, ESI has developed a unique proficiency in helping industrial manufacturers replace physical prototypes by virtually replicating the fabrication, assembly and testing of products in different environments. Virtual Prototyping enables ESI's clients to evaluate the performance of their product, and the consequences of its manufacturing history, under normal or accidental conditions. By benefiting from this information early in the process, enterprises know whether a product can be built, and whether it will meet its performance and certification objectives, before any physical prototype is built. To enable customer innovation, ESI's solutions integrate the latest technologies in high performance computing and immersive Virtual Reality, allowing companies to bring products to life before they even exist.

Today, ESI's customer base spans nearly every industry sector. The company employs about 1000 high-level specialists worldwide to address the needs of customers in more than 40 countries. For further information, visit www.esi-group.com.

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