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The second ESI Global Forum will showcase the latest technological advances in Virtual Product Engineering

Taking place in San Diego this October, the conference will gather thought-leading presenters from varied industry sectors, showing how Virtual Product Engineering is driving the way in Industrial Innovation

Paris, France – October 9, 2012 – [ESI Group](#), pioneer and world-leading solution provider in [virtual prototyping](#) for manufacturing industries, announces the full program of its upcoming biennial [ESI Global Forum](#). The event will take place at the Sheraton Hotel & Marina in San Diego, CA, USA on October 18 & 19, 2012.

ESI Global Forum – Invited Keynotes:

On October 18, the first keynote speaker will be the [Honorable John Engler](#), president of the Business Roundtable (BRT), former Governor of Michigan and former CEO of the National Association of Manufacturers. A second keynote will be delivered by American engineer and former astronaut [Fred Haise](#), who was the lunar module pilot on the aborted [Apollo 13](#) lunar mission in 1970. French physicist [Dr. Franck Delplace](#), Head of the Energy Savings Department at [EDF Group](#), will deliver a third keynote on the topic of the current challenges faced by the energy sector. From their own perspectives, each speaker will discuss the role of innovation in addressing different challenges.

ESI Global Forum - Agenda:

The forum will cover a wide range of topics, addressing all aspects of engineering simulation and with special focus on applications in various industries.

Aeronautics Session: presentations will include case studies from Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, SAFRAN, GE Research, Chengdu Aircraft Corporation (CAC), Central Institute of Aviation Motors (CIAM) and the Boeing Company.

Energy Session: presentations will include case studies from Westinghouse, EDF (French Electricity Board), CEA (French Commission on Atomic Energy), SL Rasch GmbH, Structural Integrity Associates and Dominion Engineering.



Ground Transportation Session: presentations will include case studies from Renault, Honda, Fisker Automotive, Nissan Motor Co., Volkswagen AG, Mazda Motor Corporation and P3 North America.

On day 2, parallel sessions organized by trade applications will feature presentations from the following key industry players.

For Virtual Performance (focus on Safety): Humanetics Innovative Solutions, Honda, Orbit Baby and Autoliv Japan.

For Virtual Manufacturing (focus on Body & Assembly): Renault Samsung Motors, Genesis Systems Group, AP&T, Pryer Technology Group, PCC Structural, Moscow Institute of Steel and Alloys (MISIS), Dow Chemical Company, GE Energy and Brigham Young University.

For Virtual Environment (focus on Vibro-acoustics): ATA Engineering, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, Nissan Motor Co., General Motors LLC, the University of Kentucky and Chrysler **(focus on CFD):** San José State University, Hitachi Global Storage Technology, **(OpenFOAM workshop):** OpenCFD (now part of ESI), FM Global and California Department of Transportation.

For Virtual Reality (focus on Virtual Decision Platform): Upper Austria University of Applied Sciences, Caterpillar Inc, Fisker Automotive and Ford Motors.

A gala dinner will be held on October 18, bringing together all attendees in an informal setting for private discussion and networking.



Registrations for the event are open. To register, please click [here](#).

For more information about this conference, please visit www.esi-group.com/EGF2012



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[ESI](#) is a pioneer and world-leading solution provider in virtual prototyping for manufacturing industries that takes into account the physics of materials. [ESI](#) has developed an extensive suite of coherent, industry-oriented applications to realistically simulate a product's behavior during testing, to fine-tune manufacturing processes in accordance with desired product performance, and to evaluate the environment's impact on performance. [ESI](#)'s solutions fit into a single collaborative and open environment for End-to-End Virtual Prototyping, thus eliminating the need for physical prototypes during product development. The company employs about 900 high-level specialists worldwide covering more than 30 countries. [ESI Group](#) is listed in compartment C of NYSE Euronext Paris. For further information, visit www.esi-group.com.

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