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STAR INFORMATIC Receives Oracle Award

STAR INFORMATIC has received the Oracle Spatial Excellence Award for Partnership 2006 in recognition of STAR INFORMATIC's contribution to the development of the Oracle Spatial partner community in EMEA, STAR's position as a leading force in creating a new and innovative community of Oracle Spatial-based solutions and its success in deploying Oracle Spatial as part of its solutions broadly throughout Europe and the Middle East. STAR INFORMATIC is a Partner in the Oracle PartnerNetwork.

www.star.be

Trimble Equips Second Polish Government Agency with GPS Technology

Trimble has supplied 271 GeoXT rugged GPS hand-held receivers to Poland's Plant Health and Seed Inspection Services (PHSIS), a national government agency. This purchase follows an earlier sale of 156 GeoExplorer units to Poland's agency for Restructuring and Modernization of Agriculture in early 2005.

www.trimble.com.

Microsoft Acquires Vexcel

Microsoft confirmed the acquisition of Vexcel. It is Microsoft's second deal in the past six months for its Virtual Earth business unit. The purchase was done to enhance the talent, technologies, products and services dedicated to fulfilling Microsoft's broad vision for best-of-breed local search and mapping solutions for consumers, businesses and government. Vexcel employees become Microsoft employees and will be part of Microsoft's Virtual Earth business unit.

www.vexcel.com

Distributor Partnership PCI Geomatics and TGIS Technologies

PCI Geomatics signed a strategic distributor partnership with TGIS Technologies allowing PCI Geomatics to market, distribute, and sell the TGIS real-time GeoConferenceT Software. TGIS Technologies, a Canadian owned and operated business, built GeoConference to allow users to hold Internet teleconferences based on multi-source geospatial information. This solution allows groups to capture, preserve, and reuse geographic information, track and coordinate resources and interventions, and transmit geospatial data in real-time for effective, enterprise-wide decision making.

www.pcigeomatics.com

www.tgis.ca

Business Partnership Pictometry and LPA Systems

Pictometry and LPA Systems have formed a business partnership. Under terms of the partnership agreement, Pictometry will market a joint solution that integrates LPA Eco-View infrared analysis software with the company's professional GIS software. The end result is an easy-to-use analytical tool for improved environmental monitoring and planning.

www.pictometry.com

Trimble Acquires Assets of BitWyse Solutions

Trimble has acquired the assets of privately-held BitWyse Solutions, Inc. of Salem, Massachusetts in an all-cash transaction. BitWyse is a data management company specializing in 2D and 3D software applications for engineering and construction plant design. Financial terms were not disclosed. The

purchase of BitWyse's assets is expected to extend Trimble's product portfolio of 3D laser scanning solutions by providing application-specific software capabilities within the Power, Process, and Plant vertical markets. These markets are increasingly utilizing laser scanning data to create 'as-built' drawings, verify construction specifications and improve productivity.

www.trimble.com

EMI Selects INPHO for 16 new Photogrammetric Systems

EMI Harita Ltd with their headquarters in Istanbul, Turkey, have selected INPHO software suite as the new software platform for extending their digital map production facilities. INPHO has recently delivered 16 photogrammetric systems to EMI, consisting of production tools which include highly automated aerial triangulation (MATCH-AT), DTM generation (MATCH-T; DTMaster), advanced 3D mapping (Summit Evolution), as well as orthorectification (OrthoMaster) and fully automated color balancing and image mosaicking (OrthoVista).

www.inpho.com

3-D Map Greater London from BlueSky



BlueSky announced a new 3D digital map of the whole of Greater London. Captured using the LiDAR distance measurement system, the aircraft-mounted laser technology determines accurate heights of land and buildings. The map is already proving to be a valuable tool for flood mapping, terrorist threat assessment and environmental modelling. The digital data, which provides height above sea level readings every metre with an accuracy of 15 centimetres, was created by Infoterra and is now being made available commercially by BlueSky.

www.bluesky-world.com

GISFocus-Group Acquires KORDAB International AB

GISFocus group announced the acquisition of KORDAB International AB. The GISFocus-group, mother company of ESRI Sweden, ESRI Finland, LandFocus and Meldis, provides solutions for improving organizations' effectiveness with GIS software which supports operations, planning, and better decisions. KORDAB International, with the product GEOSECMA, is a provider of information systems for planning and facility management for local government in Sweden but also with a market position in Poland and Lithuania. GEOSECMA compliments well the product portfolio of the GISFocus-group.

www.gisfocus.se

www.esri-sweden.com

www.kordab.se

Laser-Scan Scores in Indonesia

Laser-Scan's reseller for South East Asia, Credent Technology, announces that Badan Pertanahan

Nasional (BPN) has purchased Radius Topology. BPN Sub Directorate Mapping and Photogrammetry is the national agency responsible for the provision of spatial data to all local governments in Indonesia. Credent will provide BPN with a software solution that will automate the spatial data cleaning process. Laser-Scan's software will be the spatial data quality component of the Oracle data hub.

www.laser-scan.com

www.credent-asia.com

Eurimage Signs new Framework Supply Contract with the EC

Eurimage has been awarded a framework supply contract by the European Commission – Joint Research Center (EC-JRC) for the provision of satellite remote sensing data to European Institutions Services over the coming years. The contract covers world-wide data from QuickBird (and future WorldViews), Landsat and ASTER satellites, to a maximum of € 7 million (of which € 6 million for QuickBird and WorldViews) for a total of 4 years. Satellite data will be mainly provided for the Commission's agricultural Control with Remote Sensing Campaign (CwRS), an operational project Eurimage has been supporting since early the nineties. Satellite data, and in particular world-wide QuickBird very high resolution imagery, will be also supplied to meet the Commission's increasing requirements in support of EU security and humanitarian aid programmes.

www.eurimage.com

East View Cartographic to Produce Maps of Afghanistan's Uruzgan Province

East View Cartographic has been contracted by the Royal Netherlands Army Geographic Agency to produce new 1:50,000 scale topographic maps of Uruzgan province in Afghanistan. The maps will initially support Dutch military deployments in the region as responsibility for this province is handed off from US troops. East View Cartographic was selected for the project on the basis of its established reputation as a trusted source for and producer of worldwide topographic map products at all scales.

www.cartographic.com

Eurolink Selects MapInfo Confirm

The MapInfo Confirm infrastructure management solution has been selected by Eurolink, a leading European construction consortium to manage the M4/M6 Kilcock to Kinnefad motorway, the first PPP highways project in Ireland. The construction, operation and maintenance of the 27 year PPP contract was undertaken by Eurolink at a cost of several hundred million euros. The development comprises a state-of-the-art highway covering 36km of motorway, 4km of standard dual carriageway, 17km of side roads, six junctions and 36 significant structures (underpasses, over-bridges, river culverts etc).

www.mapinfo.com

Trimble to Acquire Eleven Technology

Trimble has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire Eleven Technology, Inc. of Cambridge, Massachusetts in an all-cash transaction. Eleven Technology is a mobile application software company with a leading market and technology position in the Consumer Packaged Goods (CPG) industry. Closing of the transaction, anticipated before mid-May, is subject to usual and customary closing conditions. Financial terms were not disclosed.

www.trimble.com

Success for POLICE Applications from STAR Informatic

Eleven departments in Belgium are already equipped with STAR Informatic's new POLICE solution. The application automatically produces maps and plans of the incident with full symbology and scaling tools. It also allows alternative routes to be planned in case of serious incidents.

www.star.be

Applanix Chooses INPHO for DSS 322 Airborne Digital Sensor Data Processing

Applanix has chosen the INPHO suite of software tools as the recommended workflow to produce directly georeferenced digital orthophoto products with the Applanix DSS 322 digital aerial camera solution. INPHO software provides DSS users with a seamless, linear, and automatic process for transforming digital aerial images into complete orthorectified georeferenced data products. The INPHO digital orthophoto production workflow in conjunction with the Applanix DSS consists of an automatic digital terrain model (DTM) from DSS stereo pair generation environment MATCH-T), a quality assurance and editing component for DTM data (DTMaster Stereo), and an orthophoto production and mosaicking module (OrthoMaster and OrthoVista). When an existing DTM is available, only the OrthoMaster and OrthoVista products are required to produce full orthomosaic products.

www.applanix.com

OGC and IAI to Work Together

The Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC) and the International Alliance for Interoperability (IAI) signed a memorandum of understanding to work together to strengthen open standards based interoperability between systems used by the building infrastructure community and the broader geospatial, architecture/engineering/construction (AEC) and information technology (IT) communities. Initially, the two organizations will assess member interest in advancing the creation, testing, and implementation of open standards to improve the sharing of XML based Industry Foundation Class XML (ifcXML-IFC) building models and Geography Markup Language (GML) geography models in the AEC and geospatial user communities.

www.opengeospatial.org

GEODIS RO new Topcon Distributor in Romania

Topcon Europe Positioning BV will transfer all its positioning sales and support activities for Romania to the newly-formed company GEODIS RO S.R.L., a fully-owned subsidiary of Geodis Brno, spol. s r.o., Topcon's long-term partner. Geodis Brno has been Topcon's exclusive partner in the Czech and Slovak Republics for over 15 years. It is the leading supplier of positioning solutions and has become one of Topcon's major partners in Europe. With this agreement, Topcon aims to provide its customers with a strong basis for further expansion of its sales and support capabilities for positioning products in Romania.

www.topconeurope.com

Thales Signs Distribution Agreement for the Ukraine

Thales Navigation signed a distribution agreement for its land survey and GIS product distribution in the Ukraine with Geomatics Solutions. Geomatics Solutions will sell the Thales Z-Max and ProMark land survey systems and the Thales MobileMapper Pro and MobileMapper CE handheld GPS receivers for geographic information system (GIS) and many

other data collection applications. Geomatics Solutions is headquartered in Kiev, Ukraine.

www.geosolutions.com.ua

www.thalesgroup.com/navigation

ER Mapper Brings Satellite Imagery to all Shell Desktops

ER Mapper announced the rollout of a new software solution for Shell Exploration and Production that makes Shell's twelve terabyte archive of satellite imagery available to users throughout the world. The solution was built by ER Mapper's Enterprise Services Team and features the Image Web Server product, which uses patented image compression and serving technologies to provide a fast and responsive system, even when serving very large images to many users. Using a web browser, users simply zoom to a particular location to see the list of images available for that area. They can then ask for information about the images, examine them, compare them with others, and if desired, bring them directly into desktop applications like ER Mapper's image processing product, Microsoft Word or ESRI's ArcGIS product.

www.ermapper.com

Upgrade GE Mapping System to Smallworld Software for City of Leuven

GE Energy has upgraded the digital map system for the city of Leuven, Belgium. GE Energy migrated the G@lileo system to GE's Smallworld 4 portfolio of products including Smallworld Core Spatial Technology, based on the new Application Framework (SWAF) architecture, Smallworld Internet Application Server (SIAS) and Smallworld Spatial Intelligence (SSI) software.

www.ge.com/energy

Leica Geosystems Announces Acquisition of Scanlaser

Hexagon and Leica Geosystems announce the acquisition of Scanlaser AB in Sweden and Scanlaser AS in Norway. Scanlaser is a leading system integrator for machine automation solutions in Scandinavia and Poland. The companies provide sales, assembly and support services for machine automation systems for construction machines as well as a wide range of stand-alone laser products for the building and construction industry. Scanlaser was already a long-time distribution partner for Leica Geosystems' GPS products, which the company integrated into their high-end 3D machine automation solutions. Scanlaser AB and Scanlaser AS have a combined turnover of approximately 120 MSEK and over the last years have shown an average growth of about 35 percent per annum. The companies' results will be consolidated from 1 May 2006 and will immediately contribute to Hexagon's and Leica Geosystems' earnings. The two companies will remain independent and will continue to be managed by their respective management teams who will directly report into the Group Sales Region EMEA within Leica Geosystems. Scanlaser has 36 employees working out of nine locations in Sweden, Norway and Poland.

www.leica-geosystems.com

European Space Imaging and European Commission Sign new Contract

European Space Imaging (EUSI) has been awarded a new framework contract for the supply of global Very High Resolution (VHR) satellite imagery. The contract was signed on April 5, 2006 and is valued at 11.4 million EUR (14.5 million USD) over the next four years. The imagery will be collected by the

IKONOS, OrbView and future GeoEye-1 satellites. With this contract, European Space Imaging will remain the European Commission's largest provider of VHR satellite imagery. The bulk of the imagery will be received and processed at European Space Imaging's own satellite tasking and ground processing center at the German Aerospace Center's premises in Oberpfaffenhofen, just outside Munich. From there, data is delivered to customers across Europe minutes after collection using high-speed fiber optic lines.

www.euspaceimaging.com

People

ER Mapper Appoints Guy Perkins as CEO

ER Mapper announced the appointment of Guy Perkins as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of ER Mapper's global operations. Until recently, Perkins was Vice-President of ER Mapper Asia-Pacific. Perkins replaces Stuart Nixon who will continue with ER Mapper as Founder and will concentrate on strategic projects and deep research for the next generation of imagery solutions. Perkins has held a number of key leadership positions during his career. A leading figure of the GIS community, Mr Perkins has over 20 years of experience in the Geospatial industry. He was involved with Australia's Spatial Information Action Agenda and was a founding Director of the Australian Spatial Information Business Association (ASIBA). He worked with ESRI Australia and ESRI South Asia for 15 years and later spent another 2 years with MapInfo.

www.ermapper.com

Stan Moll Joins the DAT/EM Systems International Sales Team



DAT/EM Systems International welcomes Stan Moll to its sales team. Moll joins DAT/EM Systems from AeroMap U.S., where he served for more than nine years as the Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing

Program Manager. Moll has a Master's degree in Economic Geology and Remote Sensing from Colorado State University, and a Bachelor's degree in Geology from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Prior to joining AeroMap U.S. he was a senior scientist with the US Geological Survey's EROS Data Center in South Dakota and Alaska.

www.datem.com

DAP Technologies Announces Sales and Marketing Appointments

DAP Technologies enhanced its senior management team with the appointment of Benoît Masson to the position of Director of Marketing, and the promotion of Brian Aldham to Director of Public Utility Sales. DAP designs and manufactures computers for a range of demanding industries including Utilities, Field Service, Emergency Services, Public Safety, Energy, Transportation and Logistics.

www.daptech.com