

Automotive Veterans Join Intermap Technologies

Intermap Technologies Corp. announced the strategic expansion of their automotive team through the hiring of three seasoned automotive industry experts in the U.S. and Germany. As advance driver assistance system (ADAS) initiatives gain traction worldwide, the Company is committed to supplying the most accurate and uniform geometric data to enable auto safety devices, fuel performance applications, and other advanced technologies.

Steven Zaroukian joins the company as the director of automotive business development in Detroit supporting North America and Asia. His extensive background includes 25 years in the automotive industry with Panasonic Automotive Systems and Johnson Controls. Steven's experience encompasses strategic product planning with major original equipment manufacturers such as General Motors, Ford, Chrysler, Nissan, Subaru, Mazda, and Mitsubishi.

Stefan Engels brings more than 12 years experience as a general manager and international key account manager for PTV AG (formerly Map&Guide GmbH), Motorola, ReBASE International, Deutsche Telekom, DaimlerChrysler Services, and UPS Deutschland. Stefan will lead the automotive division as the director of business development for Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA).

Klaus Schönke joins the Company as customer program manager in the Munich office. Klaus has more than 17 years experience in business development and product management with Infineon and various groups within Siemens, including Siemens VDO automotive.

www.intermap.com

DMTI Spatial Promotes Chris Thomas to Director of Strategic Alliances

DMTI Spatial (DMTI), a provider of location intelligence solutions, has appointed Chris Thomas to the position of Director of Strategic Alliances. As a new member of the senior management team, Chris is responsible for the development of strategic alliances at DMTI Spatial, with a specific focus on the company's most important current and potential partners.

During the past 10 years, Chris has held various positions at DMTI Spatial including Strategic Account Manager, Manager of Sales, and Senior Sales Engineer. Upon his promotion to Strategic Alliances, Chris had already accumulated over 10 years of experience at DMTI Spatial. In this position, Chris' background and expertise will be critical in facilitating relationships with strategic partners and building business plans to expand DMTI's Enterprise coverage.

Before joining DMTI Spatial and in earlier years with the company, Chris' responsibilities encompassed development and technical roles with a focus on GIS. Chris earned a GIS Specialist Certificate program from McMaster University in 1995, and an Honours Bachelor of Arts in Geography from Laurentian University in 1994.

www.dmtispacial.com

ESRI (UK) to Acquire Tadpole Technology Plc's Geospatial Solutions Division



ESRI (UK) has entered into an asset purchase agreement to buy the Geospatial Solutions Division (GSD) of Tadpole Technology plc for half a million pounds. The agreed purchase further strengthens ESRI (UK)'s position as GIS market leader in the UK, while adding considerable industry expertise to its portfolio. ESRI (UK) will gain one of the most experienced groups of GIS software consultants in the

UK with particular expertise in field-based GIS delivery for government, utilities and national mapping agencies.

ESRI (UK) is fully committed to supporting Tadpole customers who have transferred their support and maintenance contracts, as well as the 17 GSD employees, mostly software engineers providing professional services, who will add to its already strong development and consultancy teams. Most of Tadpole's GSD employees will continue to work in Edinburgh where 26 of ESRI (UK)'s staff are also based, the remainder will operate out of its Newbury Office.

www.esriuk.com

ESRI Member Elected to Three-Year Term on IMTA Board of Directors

Mark Cygan, ESRI, was recently elected to the International Map Trade Association (IMTA) — (Americas) Board of Directors. For the last 12 years, Cygan has been consulting on cartographic projects for national mapping organizations; providing product direction for software development; and, most recently, advocating for the trade as the manager for the map, chart and data production industry at ESRI. Other map and data production experience include his work at NAVTEQ, Rand McNally & Co., and the Automobile Club of Southern California.

Cygan has served on the IMTA (Americas) marketing committee since the beginning of this year. The committee focuses on increasing exposure of the organization. "IMTA brings together many organizations and individuals associated with mapmaking today," says Cygan. "As a director on the board and a member of the GIS industry's leading software company, I hope to continue IMTA's goal of connecting the business of maps worldwide."

The IMTA (Americas) organization is a resource for individuals and institutions engaged in the production and sale of maps, globes, travel guides, spatial information, and related products and materials. With members from more than 50 countries on six continents, representing more than 800 companies and organizations, IMTA shapes, supports, and promotes the cartographic industry. Other ESRI staff currently serving on IMTA regional boards of directors include Peter Jolly, ESRI, and Rob Sharpe, ESRI (UK) Ltd., serving with IMTA (Europe, Africa and Middle East), and Clark Swinehart, ESRI, serving as director-at-large with IMTA (Americas). Two additional directors were elected to the board this fall: Larry Charboneau, the Lawrence Group, and Ted Florence, Avenza Systems, Inc.

www.esri.com

Galdos Systems Inc. and GITA to Present GeoWeb 2008

GeoWeb 2007 conference organizer Galdos Systems Inc. and conference supporter the Geospatial Information & Technology Association announced the hosting of the 2008 GeoWeb conference in Vancouver from July 21-25th, 2008. GeoWeb is one of the only annual conferences focusing exclusively on the convergence of GIS and the Internet and the economic potential associated with the convergence of XML, web services and geographic information systems.

The 2008 GeoWeb conference welcomes both public and private organizations to meet, discuss and learn about today's most innovative geospatial technologies. The conference will include dedicated workshops on Geography Markup Language (GML), KML, MapPoint, LandXML, SVG, eBRIM, and OGC web services for GIS.

www.geoweb.org

Hexagon Invests in Distribution Channel in India

Hexagon, the parent company of Leica Geosystems, has entered into an agreement to acquire all outstanding shares of the Indian company Elcome Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

Elcome Technologies is a distributor and systems integrator of products and solutions for customers in the field of positioning, navigation, alignment, measurements and surveying using various technologies such as optical and GPS based equipment, aerial photogrammetry, GIS and mapping, construction and mining machine control, portable coordinate measuring machines (CMM), laser scanning, and weather meteorology. The company is a market leader in India in its targeted application segments. Elcome Technologies has over 80 employees and operates out of 12 locations across India. The company will be fully consolidated as of 1 January 2008 and will immediately contribute to Hexagon's earnings.

www.leica-geosystems.com

Infoterra France Seals Technology Deal with Google

Infoterra France, a provider of geo-information products and services has landed an agreement with popular search engine Google, to provide them with a unique image processing technology that will be employed in particular to process geographic images. This technology inherits from more than 15 years of Infoterra France experience in the domain, having led to world class products such as the Pixel Factory. Infoterra France's revolutionary photogrammetric suite, the Pixel Factory, is an entirely digital, highly automated production chain, which, using a multiple choice of sensors, can process industrial volumes of geographic data while maintaining a superior product quality. "Needless to say, we are very excited about this venture with such a prestigious partner," says Jean-Michel Darroy, CEO Infoterra France. "It is always gratifying to be recognised and acknowledged for your company's excellence, but this is particularly special coming from a world wide innovative player like Google," he added.

www.infoterra.fr

Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service to Deploy Cadcorp SIS.

Digital mapping and GIS software developer Cadcorp has announced that it has signed a contract with Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service for the provision and implementation of Cadcorp SIS – Spatial Information System. The company will provide licences for Cadcorp SIS Map Modeller and Map Viewer.

Cadcorp SIS will integrate with and augment the fire service's existing GIS installations, enabling data from these disparate systems to be input to and accessed from a single spatial data warehouse. This will make spatial data and associated information readily available to a wider audience within the service than is currently possible.

The new Cadcorp-based GIS will also be used for data manipulation and analysis, risk management analysis, road routing analysis and thematic and geographic map publishing, as well as data sharing with other applications, such as the brigade's performance monitoring system.

Among other benefits, the brigade expects the new GIS to bring increased efficiency and effectiveness of its GIS operations in support of business devel-



opment, change management and the achievement of targets. In particular, Cadcorp SIS will improve data analysis in support of risk reduction and the prevention of emergency incidents.

www.cadcorp.com

Ordnance Survey Has it Covered

Ordnance Survey announces a significant update to its flagship aerial photography product, OS MasterMap Imagery Layer, ensuring that it remains a market leading proposition for aerial imagery in Great Britain.

More than 120,000 km² of new and updated aerial photography, the equivalent to half of Britain, has been made available to customers over the last 12 months. This is the result of an intense period of imagery production and follows successful flying seasons over the last two years.

David Henderson, Senior Product Manager at Ordnance Survey, says, "With the introduction of our digital mapping camera and a more integrated approach to data capture and processing, we have made a dramatic improvement to the currency of our imagery during the last 12 months. Furthermore, by integrating our programmes of image and topography data collection we can offer ever greater synchronicity between our products."

OS MasterMap Imagery Layer offers seamless coverage of Great Britain. The high resolution imagery is colour balanced and fully orthorectified, meaning that it accurately reflects the position of features at ground level without distortion. This also ensures alignment with all the other layers in the OS MasterMap family.

Accurate and high-quality aerial imagery adds a compelling visual dimension to a varied range of applications, including land registration, forest management, planning, event management and major incident response.

ordnancesurvey.co.uk/imagery

Polish Ministry of Health Selects Magellan MobileMapper CE

The Polish Ministry of Health, Main Sanitary Inspectorate, has purchased 120 Magellan MobileMapper CE handheld GIS GPS receivers to



more efficiently develop and maintain the nation's database of potable water resources. The Ministry selected the MobileMapper CE after evaluating proposals submitted by three leading brands of GPS receivers. The MobileMapper CE coupled with DigiTerra Explorer GIS application software and Magellan's post-processing option met or exceeded all the required technical specifications and did so at a cost significantly lower than the competition. INS, in Karkow, is the Magellan dealer responsible for the sale.

The task of collecting points and information for the database, including wells, rivers, reservoirs, pump stations and descriptive data, had previously been accomplished using recreational-grade GPS receivers. In many of the nation's 16 districts, there are more than 10,000 points to record. The recreational-grade receivers were inefficient, requiring data collection personnel to read the coordinates for each point, write them on a piece of paper along with descriptive notes, such as the address, administrative unit and water quality information. Upon returning to the office, all the hand-written data had to be manually typed into an Excel spreadsheet. Now with the MobileMapper CE, data is captured directly to the receiver, digitally stored as SHP files and directly exported to a new ESRI GIS database, which replaced the Excel database.

www.pro.magellanGPS.com

Trimble Acquires UtilityCenter Assets from UAI

Trimble (NASDAQ: TRMB) announced it has acquired the UtilityCenter assets from privately-held UAI, Inc. of Huntsville, Alabama in an all-cash transaction. UAI is a leading provider of Geographic Information System (GIS)-based workflow automation and out-

age management solutions for electric and gas utilities. Financial terms were not disclosed.

The purchase of UAI's UtilityCenter platform extends Trimble's portfolio of field and mobile worker solutions by providing application-specific software capabilities within the utilities market. The industry is increasingly using enterprise management tools to automate their workflow and business processes to increase efficiency and improve productivity.

UtilityCenter provides a comprehensive suite of workflow solutions designed to automate the daily business operations of utilities from work management and job order tracking to updating maps while in the field. The technology is fully scalable, cost-effective and able to meet the diverse needs of utilities. The 11 application modules within UtilityCenter include data mapping, asset inventory, work order management, outage management, vegetation management, maintenance scheduling, regulatory compliance reporting and others. With its Web-view module, UtilityCenter information can be shared across departmental lines via a secure network access. The software also includes the necessary interface portals to fully integrate stand-alone 'islands of information' such as customer information/billing, SCADA and scheduling/payroll systems.

www.trimble.com

Wildgoose Appoints Darren Bell to Education Sales



Wildgoose, the education arm of aerial mapping company BlueSky, has appointed Darren Bell as Education Sales Executive. Bell, an experienced sales professional, has more than 15 years experience in the UK education market achieved working for one of the country's leading

suppliers of art materials, Calder Colours. He will be responsible for direct sales to educational organisations and key account management.

www.wildgoose.ac