MSC Software to Celebrate 50 Years of Simulation Innovation at 2013 User Conference

SANTA ANA, CA--(Business Wire – January 24th, 2013) – As one of the ‘10 original software companies’ MSC Software Corporation, the leader in multidiscipline simulation solutions that accelerate product innovation, will celebrate a half-century in the software business during its 2013 Americas user conference, “A New Era Begins,” on May 7-8 in Irvine, Calif.

To commemorate this amazing achievement, MSC is weaving speeches and celebratory events into the conference’s informational and educational sessions. The sessions will include new product announcements, partner solutions exposition and two days of track sessions.

MSC is now accepting papers for presentations at the track sessions. Potential topics range from materials engineering and systems simulation to fatigue and nonlinear analysis. To submit an abstract, please visit: http://pages.mscsoftware.com/50Years-C4PUSA.html

MSC Software President and CEO Dominic Gallello will open the general session on May 7 by recounting the company’s 50-year history of innovation and describing its vision for the future. The general session will also feature a video of MSC’s history, from the NASA era to the present, and the scientific accomplishments its products have supported through the years.

The first day’s events will conclude with a reception at the Marconi Car Museum in Tustin, a collection of exotic vehicles ranging from high-performance Ferraris to one of the first pickup trucks ever made. MSC will be sharing information on product announcements throughout the two-day event.

“Who better to celebrate with than our users? Close partnership with our customers over the years has been the firm foundation for the longevity of MSC,” Gallello said. On the occasion of our 50th Anniversary conferences, our users can expect something special. We intend to deliver.”

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MSC Software was one of the first companies to create and market software as a discrete product. Maximum PC magazine named MSC one of the 10 original software companies, along with innovators such as IBM, Computer Sciences Corporation, Apple and Microsoft.
The company was founded in 1963 by Dr. Richard MacNeal and Robert Schwendler. It scored the success that would fuel its growth in 1965, when it won a contract to develop a unified computerized structural analysis product for NASA. That project became NASTRAN, or NASA Structural Analysis Program.

MSC released a commercial version of NASRTAN, **MSC Nastran**, in 1971, and has steadily expanded the boundaries of simulation and analysis software since. In 2003, NASA stated the value of NASTRAN to society is over $10B.

The 2013 MSC Software User Conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Irvine, Calif. For more information, please visit [http://pages.mscsoftware.com/50Years-HomeUSA.html](http://pages.mscsoftware.com/50Years-HomeUSA.html).

**About MSC Software**

MSC Software is one of the ten original software companies and the worldwide leader in multidiscipline simulation. As a trusted partner, **MSC Software** helps companies improve quality, save time, and reduce costs associated with design and test of manufactured products. Academic institutions, researchers, and students employ MSC’s technology to expand individual knowledge as well as expand the horizon of simulation. MSC Software employs 1,100 professionals in 20 countries. For additional information about MSC Software’s products and services, please visit: [www.mscsoftware.com](http://www.mscsoftware.com)

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