

SolidWorks World 2013 Highlights Innovations in Aerospace, Robotics, and Education

Keynote sessions will inspire attendees to “Design Without Limits”

WALTHAM, MA, USA — January 21, 2013 — [Dassault Systèmes](#) (Euronext Paris: #13065, DSY.PA), the 3DEXPERIENCE Company, world leader in 3D design software, 3D Digital Mock Up and Product Lifecycle Management (PLM) solutions, today announced its complete keynote speaker lineup for [SolidWorks World 2013](#) running today through January 23 at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resorts in Orlando, Florida (USA). Speakers include: Art Thompson, Sage Cheshire; Vijay Kumar, the University of Pennsylvania; Elias Knubben, Festo; and Thomas Atchison, the Mavericks Civilian Space Foundation.

Every day, thousands of designers and engineers use SolidWorks 3D design software application to bring their projects to life. The SolidWorks World conference helps spur the creation of new ideas while enabling attendees to share, collaborate, and embrace their love of design. Attendees will hear from keynote speakers who use SolidWorks to help change the course of human history, and ultimately, acquire knowledge and inspiration that will take their projects to the next level.

SolidWorks World 2013 kicks off with 2012’s most death-defying aerospace project: Felix Baumgartner’s “One Giant Fall for Mankind.” Art Thompson, Technical Project Director, Sage Cheshire, who spearheaded Baumgartner’s record-setting leap from the edge of space, will take attendees beyond the news headlines and behind the scenes of the famous jump. Thompson will discuss how Red Bull Team Stratos took the project from conception to design and execution, providing an intimate look at the experiment that changed space travel for generations to come.

The keynote session on the second day of the conference will focus on robotics; highlighting two expert designers discovering new approaches to human/robot interaction and behavior: Vijay Kumar, professor at the University of Pennsylvania, will share his experience creating swarms of agile aerial robots, and Elias Knubben, head of Corporate Bionic Projects at Festo, a leading supplier of pneumatic and electrical automation technology, will present some of the prototypes from the Bionic Learning Network.

Day three of SolidWorks World addresses the future and development of the next generation of great design professionals. Thomas Atchison, chairman of the [Mavericks Civilian Space Foundation](#), will share his experiences in building the world’s first civilian space programs.

“Human beings have an inherent, natural desire to innovate and discover solutions to overcome the world’s major challenges,” said Bertrand Sicot, CEO, SolidWorks, Dassault Systèmes. “The SolidWorks World keynote speakers have pushed the limits of design and their life experiences will push our community to positively impact future generations through revolutionary products.”

Additional event highlights include:

- Networking with more than 4,500 attendees including engineering and design professionals, students, educators, partners, resellers and SolidWorks employees from around the globe.
- More than [150 in-depth training sessions](#), many of them hands-on, covering topics such as building and specifying computers for SolidWorks; surfacing; and 3D modeling tips and tricks.
- The [Partner Pavilion](#), featuring more than 100 technology products that work with SolidWorks, and providing an opportunity for attendees to meet SolidWorks Partners, preview new technology, and view hundreds of innovative products designed by SolidWorks customers.

The SolidWorks World agenda is available at: www.solidworks.com/sww/agenda

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