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CD-adapco STAR Global Conference was held in Vienna, Austria this year.

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CD-adapco?, the largest privately held CFD focused provider of Computer Aided Engineering software recently held its STAR Global Conference 2014. The theme of this year's conference was "Simulating Systems." During his welcome speech, CD-adapco President, Steve MacDonald said, "It wasn't very long ago, when we struggled to fill a single room, and all of the presentations were from CD-adapco staff. This year, we have a 3-day conference, spread across six parallel tracks, with over 130 presentations from all corners of industry."

This expansion of the conference mirrors the growth of CD-adapco itself. MacDonald predicted that by the end of FY2014, CD-adapco will be a \$200m company. Although CD-adapco consistently delivers a profit, the strategy thus far has always been to plough that money back into the development of its software products, in particular our flagship simulation tool STAR-CCM+®. MacDonald revealed that during the next 12 months, a significant portion of that development resource will be dedicated to adding a Finite Element capability to the existing Finite Volume solver in STAR-CCM+. "This will allow CD-adapco to deploy our software across entire organizations, no matter how large, and meet all of their simulation needs with a single tool," said MacDonald.

David Breashears, climber, adventurer and filmmaker, was the Keynote Speaker at the

conference. His riveting presentation spoke about driving success through teamwork and the importance of leadership, resource management and tool selection to overcome the greatest obstacles. Attendees were able to understand the life and death importance of accounting for variability "slack" in the design of a critical mission.

The STAR Global Conference was also the official release event for STAR-CCM+ v9, the latest, greatest, version of CD-adapco flagship simulation tool. Jean-Claude Ercolanelli, Senior VP Product Management, closed his presentation with a roadmap looking forward to the coming year of CD-adapco product development which included a sneak preview of the Finite Element capability MacDonald had announced earlier.

Attendees learned firsthand from experts in a number of STAR-CCM+ training courses and were equipped with a wealth of hints and tricks to make their own CAE process more effective.

Approved conference presentations will be available on the CD-adapco website (http://www.cd-adapco.com/conference_video ^[1]) soon.

The STAR Global Conference 2015 is set to take place in San Diego, California next March.

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About CD-adapco

CD-adapco (<http://www.cd-adapco.com> ^[2]) is the world's largest privately held CFD focused CAE provider. Our core products are the technology-leading simulation packages, STAR-CCM+ and STAR-CD. The scope of our activities, however, extends well beyond CFD software development to encompass a wide range of CAE engineering services in fluid dynamics, heat transfer and structural engineering. Our ongoing mission is to "inspire innovation and reduce costs through the application of engineering simulation software and services."

A privately owned company, CD-adapco has maintained 17% organic year-on-year growth over the last 5 years. CD-adapco employs 800 talented individuals, working at 30 different offices across the globe.

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