

CUST 2011, The Third Annual Edition of Spring Technologies Users Group Hosted at Astrium and Airbus Facilities

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SPRING Technologies, a leading player on both the PLM and Digital Manufacturing markets, has just ended its 3rd Users group conference, CUST 2011. This yearly event is an opportunity for the Digital Workshop™ community to meet SPRING consultants, network and pick up feedback, tips and best practices from solution users. The conference was held November 23-24 and was hosted by ASTRIUM (Paris/Les Mureaux) and AIRBUS (Toulouse/Saint Eloi), two major aerospace industry players who are intensive users of NCSIMUL, an NC program verification and machining simulation solution that has earned worldwide recognition.

Growing popularity!

- **More than 60 attendees** networking with their peers
- **On-site visits** dedicated to the Ariane 5 Space Launcher and Airbus A380 assembly facilities;
- **Customer testimonials** providing feedback on benefits and improved shop-floor performance delivered by Digital Workshop™ portfolio solutions;
- **Live demonstrations** showing new functionalities of NCISMUL, the SPRING Technologies core solution, and TOOL EXPERT, dedicated to shop-floor tools management;
- **SPRING Technologies vision** of the future of the Digital Workshop™: trends, corporate strategy and R&D investment.



What they say:

Jérôme Marmié, ASTRIUM: *"for the last two years we have been working on a risk analysis project to make our CAM digital process more reliable. Working with SPRING helps us to cut out the risks. With their software we can be confident that the NC programs we send to the machines will be error-free."*

Francis Labarthe, AIRBUS: *"we've been using SPRING's NCSIMUL since 1990 and this has enabled us to anticipate all the things that can go wrong in the manufacturing process. From the ISO code we can simulate machine ranges, risks of collisions, compare the dimensions of finished parts with their CAD models, and check tool diameter compensations and probing loops."*

Gilles Battier, CEO, SPRING Technologies: *"in just 3 years, we have succeeded in creating a user group — in fact a community — that gets together every year to exchange information and ideas about the products in our Digital Workshop portfolio. High-profile customers host the event and the people who come can share their experience, whether this on a technical or organizational level. The event is a big highlight on SPRING's calendar. For nearly 30 years we have been looking for ways in which industrial companies can optimize their productivity and make the digital process in their workshop more secure. The growing numbers of customers who attend the event is testimony to their trust. Our goal for CUST version 2012 is to bring even more users and really develop the dynamic."*

About *SPRING Technologies*

Builder of PLM solutions and integrator of applications for the production environment, SPRING Technologies supports industrial companies in their product development, processes and management.

The company is today one of France's leading distributors and integrators of PLM solutions, notably in mechanical CAD/CAM, and offers services in consulting, assistance, development and training. SPRING Technologies has built solutions around market-leading software from PTC, Dassault Systèmes, Siemens PLM and SAP, integrated in a collaborative working environment.

The solutions developed by SPRING Technologies for the digital factory with its DIGITAL WORKSHOP (NCSIMUL, WIPLINK, TOOL EXPERT, TOOL SIMUL) form a complete software portfolio.

SPRING Technologies, founded in 1983, has a workforce of 120, and offices in Paris, Geneva, Toulouse, Frankfurt, Munich, Beijing and Boston.

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