

Synopsys and RV-VLSI Design Center Collaborate to Develop Advanced IC Design Training Programs (India)

Robust Electronic Design Tools, Custom Curriculum and Modern Design Methodologies Help Accelerate Productivity for New Engineers

Bangalore, India

BANGALORE, INDIA— July 25, 2007—Synopsys, Inc., a world leader in semiconductor design software, and RV-VLSI Design Center, a premiere institute providing innovative, advanced VLSI training in India, today announced that they are collaborating to develop and deliver specialized IC design content for the purpose of classroom instruction, training, and research to help advance the circuit design and fabrication knowledge of today's engineering graduates. As part of the collaboration, RV-VLSI Design will receive a comprehensive suite of Synopsys electronic design software solutions and custom courseware through the Synopsys Worldwide University Program. New IC design courseware and training programs will be created to better prepare India's growing engineering talent pool to meet the specific needs of the semiconductor industry.

"This strategic relationship with Synopsys will enable the training of a new generation of technology specialists," said Mr. Venkatesh Prasad, CEO, RV-VLSI Design Center. "Access to Synopsys' software solutions is critical to training our students and researchers on modern methods and techniques used by industry professionals to solve the complex design problems faced by the industry today."

"Synopsys is committed to helping advance the Indian semiconductor industry by providing a pool of well-trained engineering professionals armed with the specific knowledge they need to be immediately effective upon initial hire," said Mr. Subhash Bal, director, India Sales, Synopsys. "Working closely with RV-VLSI Design Center to deliver custom IC education and training programs achieves this goal."

About Synopsys

Synopsys, Inc. is a world leader in electronic design automation (EDA) software for semiconductor design. The company delivers technology-leading system and semiconductor design and verification platforms, IC manufacturing and yield optimization solutions, semiconductor intellectual property and design services to the global electronics market. These solutions enable the development and production of complex integrated circuits and electronic systems. Through its comprehensive solutions, Synopsys addresses the key challenges designers and manufacturers face today, including power management, accelerated time to yield and system-to-silicon verification. Synopsys is headquartered in Mountain View, California, and has more than 60 offices located throughout North America, Europe, Japan and Asia. Visit Synopsys online at <http://www.synopsys.com/>.

About Synopsys' Worldwide University Program

The Synopsys Worldwide University Program has been providing technology-leading electronic design automation (EDA) tools and resources for teaching and academic research since 1986. Universities and research institutions enrolled in the program receive state-of-the-art, commercial-grade EDA tools, training and technology to support education, enable academic research, foster innovation, and promote careers in microelectronic design. Visit Synopsys Worldwide University Program online at <http://www.synopsys.com/partners/univprograms.html>

About RV-VLSI Design Center

Rashtreeya Shikshana Samithi Trust (RSST), established in 1940, is the name behind the reputed RV Group of Institutions, one of the foremost providers of quality education in the state of Karnataka, India. It manages 24 educational institutions and has taken the initiative to establish the RV-VLSI Design Center in Jayanagar, Bangalore. The primary mission of this center is to impart industry-centric advanced programs in VLSI to the vast available talent pool in India, creating a steady stream of professionals who are qualified to join the workforce as effective design team members in the semiconductor industry. The center is equipped with the latest in computing technology and EDA software and provides 24x7 access to the design laboratories to facilitate a flexible learning schedule.

For more information please visit: www.rv-vlsi.com
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