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SCRA APPLIED R&D ANNOUNCES LEADERSHIP AWARD

PDES, Inc. Consortium Honors PROSTEP AG's Jochen Boy

CHARLESTON, S.C. – October 10, 2013 – <u>SCRA</u> Applied R&D's *PDES*, *Inc.* consortium today announced the Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award winner for outstanding support of its *PDES*, *Inc.* program. Winner Jochen Boy is a Senior Consultant at PROSTEP AG in Germany and is a member of the **LO**ng **T**erm **A**rchiving and **R**etrieval (LOTAR) and the **C**omputer **A**ided 'X' Implementor **F**orum (CAx-IF) programs for *PDES*, *Inc.*

The CAx-IF and LOTAR Teams nominated Boy stating, "Jochen's enthusiasm is contagious to his teammates and provides an impetus for them to work to their fullest potential. His contagious sense of humor inspires much needed relief to the teams. Jochen leads the charge when it comes to developing work plans and schedules for the LOTAR project. He takes particular care in allocating the funding to get as much return on investment as possible."

"Jochen's management and leadership on both the LOTAR and the CAx Implementor Forum projects are exemplary. The success of both projects can be directly attributed to his active participation and oversight, subject matter expertise, work ethic and ability to get others actively involved and engaged," said Dr. Michael R. Jahadi, President and Chairman of the *PDES*, *Inc.* Board.

"We congratulate Mr. Boy for this much deserved recognition," said SCRA CEO Bill Mahoney. "SCRA has had the honor of leading the *PDES*, *Inc*. consortium for 25 years. It is through the individual efforts and talents of this consortium's membership and leadership that interoperability and manufacturing efficiencies have improved for clients and industries across the globe."

The Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award was established in honor of Brad Rigdon, former President and Chairman of the *PDES, Inc.* Executive Board. Since 1996, the annual award honors a *PDES, Inc.* technical team leader who has exhibited outstanding technical management or contributed significantly to a *PDES, Inc.* project.

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SCRA is an applied research corporation with over 30 years of experience delivering technology solutions with high returns on investment to federal and corporate clients. To fulfill our mission, SCRA has three sectors: Our Technology Ventures sector helps early-stage companies to commercialize innovations and create jobs, our Applied R&D sector manages over 100 national and international R&D programs worth over \$2 billion in contract value and our R&D Facilities sector builds and manages research facilities that

include wet labs, secure rooms for sensitive work and high-tech, advanced manufacturing shops. Multiple economic output studies show SCRA's cumulative impact on South Carolina's economy to be over \$15.3 billion, and that the company has helped create approximately 15,000 technology-related jobs in SC, with wages averaging between \$55,000 and \$77,000.

About PDES, Inc.

PDES, Inc. is an international consortium, managed by SCRA Applied R&D, which promotes the digital enterprise through the development and implementation of model-based standards. The consortium is made up of members from global industry, government and academia that commit resource hours to projects of interest to the member organizations. Projects include Model Based Engineering, Model Based Manufacturing, Model Based Sustainment (via LOTAR), Data Exchange Testing and Information Standards. The members gain hands-on experience in using the standards and implementing them within their organization and also have access to product testing, standards experts, standards tools and vendor products. SCRA has served as the host contractor for PDES, Inc. since its inception in 1988.