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EDA Consortium, IEEE Council on EDA to Jointly Sponsor Prestigious Kaufman Award

Nominations for This Year's Recipient Accepted Until June 29

SAN JOSE, Calif. and NEW YORK — February 20, 2007 — The Electronic Design Automation (EDA) Consortium and the IEEE Council on EDA announced today that they will jointly sponsor the EDA industry's prestigious Phil Kaufman Award.

The award now will be known as the Phil Kaufman Award for Distinguished Contributions to Electronic Design Automation, sponsored by the EDA Consortium and IEEE Council on EDA. Presented annually since 1994, the Kaufman Award honors an individual who has had a demonstrable impact on the field of EDA. It was established in honor of deceased EDA industry pioneer Phil Kaufman, who turned innovative technologies like silicon compilation and emulation into businesses that have benefited electronic designers.

Nominations for this year's recipient are being accepted until Friday, June 29. For more information on the award and to download this year's nomination form, visit: www.edac.org/about_kaufman_award.jsp or www.ieee-ceda.org/awards.html.

"IEEE places a high value on rewarding individuals who have made contributions that significantly impacted the EDA community," said Al Dunlop, president of the IEEE Council on EDA. "The award honors both academic and industrial efforts based on the significance to the broader EDA community. This is a prestigious EDA award, and we are delighted to partner with the EDA Consortium to present it annually."

Added Aart de Geus, chairman of the EDA Consortium and chairman and CEO of Synopsys, Inc.: "We welcome the IEEE Council on EDA's participation in selecting and honoring the recipient of the Phil Kaufman Award. The addition of the IEEE as a

sponsoring body supports the notion that the Phil Kaufman Award is truly the ‘Nobel Prize of EDA.’ ”

About the EDA Consortium

The EDA Consortium is the international association of companies that provide tools and services that enable engineers to create the world’s electronic products. EDA is the critical technology used to design electronics for the communications, computer, space technology, medical and industrial equipment and consumer electronics markets among others. For more information about the EDA Consortium, contact EDA Consortium, 111 West Saint John Street, Suite 220, San Jose, Calif. 95113, USA, office 408-287-3322, fax 408-283-5283 or visit www.edac.org.

About the Council on EDA

The Council on Electronic Design Automation is IEEE’s focal point for multiple EDA disciplines. Its goal is to bring increased value to IEEE members and the EDA community as a whole by coordinating EDA activities, enabling new initiatives, fostering interdisciplinary research and recruiting young talent to EDA. It also will increase visibility for IEEE-sponsored EDA events such as the Design Automation Conference (DAC) and International Conference on Computer Aided Design (ICCAD) and its technical publications. Its charter spans theory, implementation and use of computer aided design (CAD) tools to design integrated electronic circuits and systems. Its website is located at: <http://www.ieee-ceda.org>.

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