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**EDA CONSORTIUM CELEBRATES 50+ YEARS OF EDA WITH
“EDA: BACK TO THE FUTURE” REUNION DINNER AND AUCTION EVENT**
October 16th Event at Computer History Museum to Benefit the EDA Oral Histories Collection and Exhibit

SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 11, 2013—To celebrate the past 50+ years of the Electronic Design Automation (EDA) industry, the EDA Consortium (EDAC) is hosting “EDA: Back to the Future,” an industry reunion featuring dinner, entertainment, and a fundraising auction on October 16th at the Computer History Museum (CHM) in Mountain View, California. The event will raise funds to complete the EDA Oral Histories Collections and Exhibit. Currently under development, this exhibit will be a permanent addition to the CHM rotating series of exhibits and will document the history of the EDA industry. This special black-tie optional evening will begin with a private opening of the CHM “Revolution” exhibit for guests followed by a reception, dinner, and a live auction in the CHM Grand Hall.

“The EDA industry began an unprecedented period of electronics innovation over 50 years ago. This sure-to-be-unforgettable party will gather members of our industry, past and present, to recognize and celebrate the significance of this achievement,” said Kathryn Kranen, EDAC chairman of the board and president and CEO of Jasper Design Automation.

The EDA Oral Histories Collection and Exhibit at the CHM includes an oral history archive with transcripts, featuring interviews with key pioneers and contributors to EDA. These oral histories will be hosted online permanently as part of the CHM’s Oral Histories Collection. In addition to oral histories, the CHM is very interested in acquiring significant hardware memorabilia from the EDA industry. Anyone arranging the donation of original workstations from EDA pioneers will qualify for free admission to the event.

“By raising funds to support the permanent EDA Oral Histories Collection and Exhibit at the CHM, we’ll preserve the thoughts and stories of our predecessors while inspiring future generations of EDA innovators,” said Doug Fairbairn, staff director at the CHM and long-time EDA industry veteran.

EDAC members and other past and present companies and academia involved in EDA are invited to sponsor the event and to donate items for auction. For more information on participating as a sponsor or donor, please contact Mike Gianfagna at btbf.event@edac.org.

“EDA: BACK TO THE FUTURE” EVENT DETAILS

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, October 16, 2013

CHM private opening of Revolution Exhibit: 5:30 PM

Reception, Dinner, Program & Auction: 6:00 to 9:00 PM

LOCATION: Computer History Museum
1401 N. Shoreline Blvd.
Mountain View, CA 94043

COST: Individual tickets for the event are \$200 for EDAC Members and \$250 for non-members. Group tickets of ten are offered at \$1,750 for EDAC members and \$2,250 for non-members.

Tickets are available now. Please visit: http://edac.org/events/back_to_the_future for more information and to purchase tickets online. There will be a silent and live auction at the event, containing a wide array of items for every taste and budget. Please visit the event website for ongoing updates on auction lots.

About the EDA Consortium

The EDA Consortium is the international association of companies that provide design tools and services that enable engineers to create the world’s electronic products used for communications, computer, space technology, medical, automotive, industrial equipment, and consumer electronics markets, among others. For more information about the EDA Consortium, visit www.edac.org.

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