

# SIMPACK User Meeting 2011 in Salzburg — Introducing SIMPACK Version 9



*At the SIMPACK User Meeting in Salzburg there was time to...*

**With 200 participants and over 50 presentations given across three parallel running sessions, the 9th SIMPACK User Meeting in Salzburg turned out to be a great success. The highlights of the event were the keynote presentation given by Ford Motor Company, user contributions of the highest technological level and the introduction of SIMPACK Version 9.**

## NEW RECORD ATTENDANCE

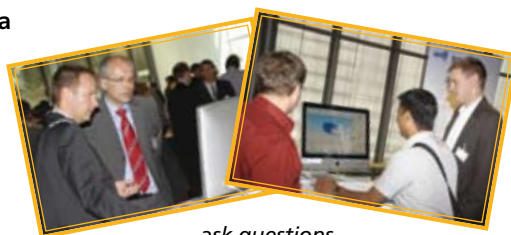
SIMPACK AG invited participants to attend the 6th SIMPACK User Meeting, held in Salzburg, Austria on May 18 and 19, 2011. With 200 attendees from 14 countries, including participants from Japan, China, Canada, and the USA, and a packed lecture room, this function became an event extraordinaire. With its historic city center, the magnificent alpine backdrop and the most beautiful weather on those two days, Salzburg provided the perfect setting for this event.



*... listen to presentations...*

## KEYNOTE PRESENTATION BY FORD MOTOR COMPANY USA

The number of presentations and lectures submitted was overwhelming and broke all records. Mario Felice, Senior Manager NVH of Ford Motor Company USA, kicked off the user presentation series with a keynote presentation about "NVH Simulation – a Driving Force to Ford's Powertrain Development". Participants were able to gain an insight and overview of SIMPACK applications at a high technological level during three parallel running sessions. A total of 48 presentations were delivered covering the areas of automotive, trucks, engines, drivetrains, NVH, rail, wind, biomechanics and aerospace. Our guests used the break times for animated discussions of the presenta-



*...ask questions ...*

tions. An accompanying trade exhibition of SIMPACK complementary products, such as FAT4FEM, FEMFAT, RFACTOR, CD-Tire and BIOMOTION, rounded off the series of presentations.

## SIMPACK 9

In addition to the user presentations, the introduction of SIMPACK Version 9 was a core theme of this User Meeting. Our users followed the presentation of the main features of SIMPACK 9 with great interest:

- Completely new GUI to create models in 3D mode and in 2D topological map mode
- Significantly simplified and with a complete design change regarding the integration of elastic components
- Modeling at component, subsystem, and system level with any number of Substructure levels
- Automated model assembly through communicators
- SIMPACK Wizard, a modeling and simulation environment for non-expert users
- SIMPACK parallel solver for multi-core architectures



*...speak to other companies...*

Large crowds gathered at the SIMPACK 9 stations in the foyer of Salzburg's Congress Center during the breaks. Here, participants could see SIMPACK 9 in operation and ask questions about the system. In the meantime, beta-version of SIMPACK 9 has already gone out to some customers.

## PLENTY OF FUN AT THE EVENING EVENT

On the first evening all of our guests accepted our invitation to the event held at the Stieglkeller restaurant and beer cellar which lies directly under the Fortress Hohensalzburg. The reception on the terrace with a spectacular view over the old town of Salzburg quickly established that this was to be an evening of an altogether "different type of service". The catering service group, "Pronto Pronto", enchanted our guests with their unconventional style of service, their stage magic and cabaret interludes. The time just flew by with beer, wine and a four-course meal. Before anyone knew it, the clock struck midnight.

All user presentations, and a selection of the wealth of pictures, are available under [www.simpack.com/user\\_meetings.html](http://www.simpack.com/user_meetings.html). SIMPACK AG would like to take this opportunity to thank all lecturers and participants and is already looking forward to seeing all guests again at the next SIMPACK User Meeting.



*...and enjoy the evening.*