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Ada-Europe Kicks Off its First Annual Student Programming Contest “*The Ada Way*”

Brussels, Belgium (September 28, 2010) – Ada-Europe, www.ada-europe.org, the international organization that promotes the knowledge and use of the Ada programming language in European academia, research and industry, is pleased to announce “The Ada Way”, www.ada-europe.org/AdaWay. This annual student programming contest aims to attract students and educators to Ada in a form that is both fun and instructive. Entries are now open for the 2010-11 competition and judging takes place in May next year.

In line with the start of the football season, this year's challenge is to build a software simulator of a football match. The software system, programmed in Ada, will need to support a number of gaming and football features including speed, tactical skills and player fatigue. The submitted code will include a software core, implementing the logic of the simulation, as well as read-write graphical panels for participating football team managers.

Candidate submissions will be judged on a number of evaluation criteria including:

- Coverage of requirements.
- Syntactic, semantic, programmatic and design correctness.
- Clarity and readability of the code.
- Quality of design.
- Ingenuity and cuteness of the solution.
- Time and space efficiency of the solution.

The winning submission will win a framed award, one free registration and up to 3 reduced student fees for representatives of the winning team to attend to the Ada-Europe 2011 Conference, www.ada-europe.org/conference2011, accommodation and airfare for the team representatives, an exhibition slot in the conference program, and visibility in electronic and printed media. This year's competition is sponsored by Ada-Europe, AdaCore, and Atego.

To enter, and for the full specification and details of software requirements, please go to the official web site of “The Ada Way”, www.ada-europe.org/AdaWay.

About Ada-Europe

Ada-Europe is the international non-profit organization that promotes the knowledge and use of the Ada programming language in academia, research and industry in Europe. Ada-Europe has member organizations all over the continent, in Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, as well as individual members in many other countries.

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