



Aras Community Newsletter -- June 2011

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Check out details on our latest open release, including how your company can get it, along with subscriber upgrade instructions and a lot more information to drive your global PLM strategy to the next level.

NEW RELEASE - Aras Innovator 9.3 Open Release Available



Earlier this month our latest open release (9.3) of the Aras Innovator PLM platform and solution suite was posted, and in case you weren't already aware... [it's here!](#)

This release introduces more new innovations from corporate community members than any release to date. We would like to thank everyone that participated and recognize some of the major contributors including Carestream Health, DIEHL Metering's HYDROMETER, ECCO, Freudenberg, ITT Defense, Lear, Spartan Chassis, Textron, Xerox and Xyratex.

The ability to actively drive the PLM roadmap and direction of our advanced platform is a clear advantage that companies gain with Aras... and something not easily attained with the other major PLM systems.

The release includes a wide range of new out-of-the-box functional enhancements, features and capabilities.

Aras Release Highlights

- Standard CAD integration platform ideally suited for companies that operate a large scale multi-CAD environment
- High performance multi-file check-out for large sets of files like MCAD assemblies, EDA designs and simulation files
- Dynamic team collaboration security for defining collaboration teams on-the-fly for any item or group of items in the system
- Out-of-the-box capabilities to run multiple different change management workflows concurrently
- New visual impact matrix for change management
- Workflow process enablement of cross-generation on items
- Introduction of express Document Change Order (DCO) workflow consistent with CMII
- Thumbnails saved as vaulted items
- Support for Internet Explorer 9... and a lot more

This list really just scratches the surface (i.e. is a small sample) of the functionality included in the release. To find out more, see video demos, watch the webcast overview, read the release notes and of course get the download visit the [Latest Open Release](#) page on our website.

And if you missed it, Oleg Shilovitsky did a pretty good post on the Beyond PLM blog about the release and our strategy after the ACE conference [Aras PLM lines up against Windchill, Enovia, and TeamCenter](#)

[Release details, demos, downloads and more](#)

SUBSCRIBER NOTICE - Schedule Your Free Upgrade (No Matter How Much You've Customized)

If you're an Aras subscriber, the availability of our latest major release means one thing... time to schedule your free upgrade.

That's right... companies with an active Aras subscription package receive free upgrades to the latest release regardless of the amount of customization they've done to their system.

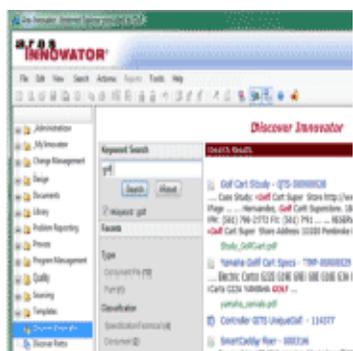
Anyone that has lived through a major upgrade of a heavily customized Windchill, Teamcenter or ENOVIA system knows that this is a significant benefit worth hundreds of thousands, and in some cases millions, of dollars (or euros, or yen, or renminbi).

With Aras, not to worry, its included.

Subscribers need to contact Aras support or their certified Aras partner to schedule the upgrade process for late summer.

[Find out about the Aras subscription package](#)

FEATURED PROJECT - Discover Innovator Enterprise Search by Northridge Software



The featured open source project this month is an exciting new community solution that provides advanced Google-style search capabilities to your Aras Innovator environment.

It's called Discover Innovator and it enables Aras users to quickly and easily locate drawings, documents, specifications, requirements, quality data, BOMs and more by searching on keyword phrases.

Searches are performed using a familiar search box screen and results are presented in a shopping cart-like view with the ability to drill-down on results.

Discover Innovator is ideal for accessing the types of complex data sets managed in Aras Innovator, as well as information stored in other locations including Intranet sites, SharePoint libraries, file shares and other enterprise systems. And user security permissions can be enforced to keep critical information secure.

Under the covers this sophisticated solution takes advantage of the powerful Apache Lucene search engine technology used by sites like LinkedIn, Disney, Apple and IBM.

Northridge has released the community edition of the solution as open source and it's freely available on our project site. There is also an enterprise edition with additional capabilities which is a commercial solution (i.e. paid) available directly from [Northridge Software](#).

Thanks to Northridge for coming up with this great solution and for making it freely available so that everyone can take advantage.

[Learn more and download the Discover Innovator Enterprise Search solution](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS - ACE Webcasts, CM:TRENDS 2011, CMPIC, CIMdata

----- ACE Innovation Series Webcasts

ON-DEMAND RECORDINGS: Previous ACE Webcasts

[Latest Open Release - What's New in Aras Innovator](#)

[Aras PLM Platform Technology Vision and Roadmap](#)

[Transforming PLM for the Economic Recovery](#)

[Top 5 Strategic Goals of PLM](#)

[Journey to Best-in-Class Product Development](#)

CM:TRENDS 2011 - Orlando, FL - September 19 - 21, 2011

Join us for the annual CMPIC global conference, CM:TRENDS. CMPIC embraces all aspects of Configuration Management best practices including CM process, automation, industry standards and professional organizations. Presentations cover

the different facets of CM from government to commercial best practices, as well as, current and future trends in CM automation with presentations from BAE Systems, Medtronic, Northrop Grumman and others industry experts including Aras.

[CM:TRENDS 2010 - - Agenda & Registration](#)

CMPIC Configuration Management Training

CMPIC courses are designed to provide a detailed overview of CM planning, naming conventions, numbering practices, baselines, change control, traceability, status accounting, and more. The CMPIC classes explain the role of CM in the organization.

Upcoming Sessions

- CM Assessor Certification - Stafford VA - July 18 - 20
- CM for IT & SW Development - Andover MA - Aug 1 - 4
- CM Foundations - Orlando FL - Aug 2 - 3
- CM Structures - Orlando FL - Aug 4 - 5
- CM Dynamics - Orlando FL - Aug 8 - 9
- CM Implementation - Orlando FL - Aug 10 - 11
- SCM: Strategies, Techniques and Tools - Orlando FL - Aug 22 - 25
- ANSI/EIA-649 NEW Rev. B Course - Orlando FL - Sept 21 - 23
- CM Assessor Certification - Orlando FL - Sept 21 - 23

[CMPIC Training Schedule - - Agenda & Registration](#)

CIMdata PLM Certificate Program

CIMdata's PLM Certificate Program on enterprise PLM best practices provides you with an in-depth PLM education. The training is comprised of 9 sessions delivered over a five-day period through a series of lectures, case studies, tests, and individual as well as group exercises.

Upcoming Sessions

- Oslo, Norway - September 26 - 30
- Amsterdam, The Netherlands - October 24 - 28

[CIMdata PLM Certificate Program - - Agenda & Registration](#)

TRAINING - Upcoming Sessions

Training combines hands-on exercises, overview presentations, and discussions so that participants achieve an in-depth understanding of the topics.

Get the education you and your team need for success with the Aras solutions. Regularly scheduled training sessions are **FREE for Aras Unlimited subscribers.**

Also, a series of new online training tutorials by Aras partner TAG Consulting are available at PLM-Training.com

United States

July 11 - Aras Configuring Solutions (5 days) - Boston, MA

July 25 - Aras Developing Solutions (4 days) - Boston, MA

Aug 8 - Aras Configuring Solutions (5 days) - Boston, MA

Aug 29 - Aras Developing Solutions (4 days) - Boston, MA

[Course Descriptions, Calendars, and Registration](#)

DOWNLOADS - Recent Installs

- Aerospace Testing Alliance
- AGRODUR Grosalski GmbH & Co.
- Albion Clothing

- Infosys Technologies
- Insitu
- Invensys

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Arcalux Corporation
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BAE Systems
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Nordic Semiconductor
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Perfection Mighty
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