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## Aras Community Newsletter -- April 2009

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The economy many have slowed down, but things just continue to pick up in the corporate community. Companies everywhere are working on saving money, cutting costs, and reducing expenses using Aras. Some companies are replacing their outdated PLM system and modernizing with Aras which eliminates PLM license costs in the process. Others are complementing their existing PLM installation to add new processes and expand access without purchasing more licenses. Whichever approach your company is using, you're saving money and helping the bottom line. You could even wind up getting a promotion!

Now, there's a lot happening in the coming weeks including webcasts and conferences, educational opportunities, tons of training, and much more. Check it out!

### WEBCAST - Live Demo of New Aras PLM Solution Suite Release

The latest open release of Aras Innovator is now available, and we are excited to share with everyone the great new capabilities. So we're doing a Live Demo webcast to go through the solutions overall and highlight some of the new additions including:

- ECO / MCO simple engineering change workflows
- New Redline compare capabilities for BOMs, suppliers, documents, and more
- Search center including ad hoc queries, Microsoft Live Search, and GlobalSpec
- Modular process planner for FMEAs and Control Plans
- Microsoft SharePoint integration
- Graphical Web services 'builder' in Solution Studio

**Date:** May 8, 2009 - Friday

**Time:** 11:00am Eastern USA Time Zone (-5 GMT)

[Live Webcast Registration](#)

### CONFERENCES - Aras at Global PLM Events and Seminars



**PLM Summit 2009** - Miami, FL - June 23-24, 2009

PLM Summit is the leading independent PLM conference bringing together world class speakers and cross-industry specialists to explore strategies, benchmark the latest technologies, and analyze progressive business practices to maximize the ROI from your company's PLM investment.

Aras will be sponsoring the event again this year. Come and learn about PLM processes from global leaders

and find out from Aras about the most advanced and open PLM solutions available.

### [PLM Summit 2009 -- Agenda & Registration](#)

**usb GmbH PLM Buffet** - Unterföhring, Germany - June 16, 2009

Join us at this annual PLM event in Germany to hear key note presenter Prof. Dr.-Ing. Martin Eigner of Technische Universität Kaiserslautern, PLM expert and author of the recent paper "Conceptual Modeling and Generator Framework for Multidisciplinary and Collaborative Product Lifecycle Management".

Hear firsthand how Aras openly enables coordination during global product development between companies of all sizes across the supply chain.

### [usb GmbH PLM Buffet -- Agenda & Registration](#)

#### **EDUCATION - Best Practices Training Options**

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With the slowing economy many people are making process improvements in their business to reduce costs, improve profitability, and ultimately strengthen competitiveness.

Making changes that have a significant impact requires insight and knowledge of best practices. One of the fastest ways to gain the necessary level of understanding is through education and training.

We think this is important because there is a direct correlation between results achieved and the training attained by those effecting change, and we get asked all the time about education options. That's why we're sharing resources that we know of with everyone in the corporate community so you can get training on best practice approaches that will help your company during the downturn.

There are a number of training courses and certification programs by recognized providers that cover a range of topics include configuration & change management principles, product lifecycle management practices, and more.

Here are some educational resources that we recommend:

Institute of Configuration Management - [CMI Configuration Management Training & Certification](#)

Configuration Management Process Improvement Center - [CMPI Configuration Management Training & Certification](#)

CIMdata Global PLM Consulting - [PLM Certificate Program](#)

#### **RECENT BLOGS - Insight, Information, and Opinions**

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Always interested in your take on issues that confront you and your company, as well as, your perspective on the PLM industry as a whole.

If you have ideas for topics we should write about or comments you'd like to make, please feel free to comment on a post or let me know directly.

Here are some links to recent posts:

[PLM Software's Future: Model-driven vs. Model- based](#)

[PLM Licenses for Everyone](#)

[PLM Industry Accelerators, Panacea or Problem?](#)

[New Open Release of Aras PLM Software Suite](#)

You can sign up for Email Alerts or RSS feeds from our blog to know about the latest posts.

Also, if you have your own blog or web site, you can link to the Aras PLM Community Blog at

<http://www.aras.com/community/blogs/> and let us know and we'll link to you as well.

## **UPCOMING - Training Sessions**

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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.

Remember, regularly scheduled training sessions are **FREE for subscribers**.

### **Upcoming Training Sessions**

May 18 - Aras Innovator Administration - Boston, MA **FULL**

May 20 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Boston, MA **FULL**

May 21 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Boston, MA

May 25 - Aras Innovator Administration - Munich, Germany

May 27 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Munich, Germany

May 28 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Munich, Germany

June 22 - Aras Innovator Administration - Boston, MA

June 24 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Boston, MA

June 25 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Boston, MA

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June 24 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Munich, Germany

June 25 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Munich, Germany

July 20 - Aras Innovator Administration - Boston, MA

July 22 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Boston, MA

July 23 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Boston, MA

July 27 - Aras Innovator Administration - Munich, Germany

July 29 - Aras Innovator Workflow - Munich, Germany

July 30 - Aras Innovator Developer & API - Munich, Germany

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

#### **Recent Downloads**

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