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## **Altium supporting the next generation of electronics designers in Brazil**

### **New partnership with UNISAL equips students with Altium's next generation design solution**

**SAO PAULO, Brazil - March 17, 2009** – Altium will be providing its next generation electronics design solution to the Centro Universitário Salesiano (UNISAL) in Brazil, in an agreement signed with UNISAL's São Jose Campus in Campina.

Altium Designer and Altium's reconfigurable desktop NanoBoard will be used on a range of courses from Industrial Electronics Technology, to Automotive Systems Technology, in Computer Science, Automation and Control Engineering, and in Telecommunications Engineering and Industrial Automation Technology. Students on Masters degree courses will also use Altium's solutions.

Exceptional student projects from these courses will be demonstrated in various conferences and magazine publishing houses in Brazil.

Altium's solutions provide a holistic approach to electronics design, taking the complete view of the entire design process. This means that UNISAL students will use Altium's unified electronics design solution to take designs from concept through to manufacture all in the single application. This includes schematic capture, signal integrity analysis, 3D PCB design, dynamic 3D mechanical design collaboration, FPGA design, and embedded development.

Moreover, students using Altium's solutions will be able to move between hardware and software and experiment in complex embedded systems without the need to manufacture expensive prototype hardware. This will significantly accelerate the learning process, and let students focus on creating device intelligence as well as laying out the PCBs.

"This partnership is about equipping students with the best possible electronics design tools. And with Altium's unified electronics design solution, they will be using the same tool as America's space agency NASA and green technology innovators VESTAS," said Gerry Gaffney, Senior Vice President & General Manager Americas.

"This is the next generation of electronics designers. Their approach to creating tomorrow's electronic products will be uncompromising. They will have no fears about challenging what's gone before, and they will demand new ways to innovate and to attack the design process from new directions. They will embrace soft design, using programmable devices, more readily than today's generation. And they will expect to emerge from the current economic downturn ready to compete. Altium is helping them to do all this, and more."

Altium supports over 900 universities, research projects and student competitions around the world, including the National Institute for Space Research, Space and Atmospheric Sciences Division in Brazil, the FIRST Robotics Competition, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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### **About Altium**

Altium Limited (ASX:ALU) provides next-generation electronics design solutions that break down the barriers to innovation. Altium's solutions are unique because they unify the separate processes of electronics design, all within a single electronics design environment, working off a single data model, linking all aspects of electronics product design into one process. This unified design environment helps electronics designers

easily harness the latest devices and technologies, manage their projects across broad design 'ecosystems', and create connected, intelligent designs.

Founded in 1985, Altium has headquarters in Sydney, sales offices in the United States, Europe, China, and resellers in all other major markets. For more information, visit [www.altium.com](http://www.altium.com).

### **About Unisal:**

UNISAL is one of 65 worldwide Salesians Superior Education Institutions located in America, Europe, Asia and Africa. UNISAL employs some of the most accomplished professors and researchers from around the world to conduct important research projects and technological innovations and offers a large range of degree and master degree courses specializing in technology and engineering to over 8,000 students.

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