



Press Release

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## ESI Group successfully pursues global ISO 9001 certification

### A significant extension of the scope over three years

- **An approach to quality management acknowledged for excellence worldwide**
- **Three new subsidiaries added to the global certification**
- **Success tied to a very high level of personnel and Quality team mobilization**

#### An approach to quality management acknowledged for excellence worldwide

ESI Group, a pioneer and world-leading provider of virtual prototyping solutions for industry, announces the successful continuation of its global ISO 9001 certification effort.

ESI Group obtained its first ISO 9001 certification in 2000 and followed up by independent certifications for its subsidiaries; actions intended to guarantee the quality of its products and services and ensure client satisfaction. Given its philosophy of continuous improvement, ESI then set out in 2011 to achieve global ISO 9001 certification that would bring together ESI Group, the parent company, and its subsidiaries under a single certificate. The ambition to achieve global certification testifies to the confidence ESI has in the quality of the solutions it provides to its clients and also to the concern of excellence that the company has for the global alignment of processes in the context of risk and quality management. Global certification guarantees that ESI pays special attention to ensuring the excellence of all Group processes and for employees it provides a common and consistent framework that facilitates the implementation of Company procedures, simplification of interactions and the sharing of best practices.

#### Three new subsidiaries are added to the global certification

Global certification has been successfully achieved across Europe, Asia and the United States; for the parent company and the following subsidiaries: ESI US R&D, ESI France, ESI Japan, ESI Calcom in Switzerland, ESI SW India and ESI SW Germany. In 2014 three new entities were successfully added: ESI NA in the United States, Mecas ESI in the Czech Republic and ESI Services Tunisia.



## Success tied to a very high level of personnel and Quality team mobilization worldwide

*“This approach fits the ESI Group profile perfectly. We are a multicultural company present in nearly 40 countries. We have over 1,000 employees and share transversal processes and complicated interfaces. Uniting, motivating and harmonizing are the goals pursued and achieved to ensure permanently high levels of internal process quality, increased efficiency with overall consistency, stronger and clearer relations between Group entities. This ambitious project has been very successful, thanks to the very high level of involvement of all employees and the Quality teams worldwide. It reflects ESI’s strong commitment to its clients”, states Dominique Grolade, Group Quality Director.*

More entities in Europe and Asia will be integrated in the global certification in 2015. As part of its five-year plan (2016-2020), developed taking into account the maturity level of each entity and client expectations, ESI Group expects to achieve full global certification by 2020.

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2014 Full Year Sales:

**March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

### About ESI

ESI is a world-leading provider of Virtual Prototyping software and services with a strong foundation in the physics of materials and Virtual Manufacturing.

Founded over 40 years ago, ESI has developed a unique proficiency in helping industrial manufacturers replace physical prototypes by virtually replicating the fabrication, assembly and testing of products in different environments. [Virtual Prototyping](#) enables ESI’s clients to evaluate the performance of their product and the consequences of its manufacturing history, under normal or accidental conditions. By benefiting from this information early in the process, enterprises know whether a product can be built, and whether it will meet its performance and certification objectives, before any physical prototype is built. To enable customer innovation, ESI’s solutions integrate the latest technologies in high performance computing and immersive Virtual Reality, allowing companies to bring products to life before they even exist.

Today, ESI’s customer base spans nearly every industry sector. The company employs about 1000 high-level specialists worldwide to address the needs of customers in more than 40 countries.



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*2014 awards: winner of the 2014 ASMEP-ETI/Bpifrance award in the Innovation and industrial strategy category and of the Grand Prix des Entreprises de Croissance, in the Software and IT Services category and winner of the “Ambitions d’Entrepreneurs” trophy in the International category.*

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