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NI Joins Industry-Leading Test and Measurement Companies to Host PXI Technology and Applications Conference Series

NEWS RELEASE – Feb. 7, 2006 – National Instruments is joining more than 20 leading test, measurement and technology companies, including Advantest Technology Solutions, Aeroflex, Acqiris, Tektronix and Geotest-Marvin Test Systems, to host the PXI Technology and Applications Conference (PXI TAC). The PXI TAC is a series of free, full-day events in 15 cities across the United States, Canada and Mexico featuring in-depth informational sessions on the latest PXI platform technologies and roadmaps, case study presentations, hands-on technical training and networking with industry experts.

“Engineers designing today’s test and measurement systems are challenged with matching their technical test system requirements with the optimal measurement hardware, instrument communication buses and software architectures for their application needs,” said Richard McDonell, NI product marketing group manager for PXI, instrument control and automated test software. “The PXI TAC provides a unique opportunity for engineers to meet with industry experts on each of these test system design topics and determine which test and measurement platform is ideal for their application needs.”

The PXI TAC series explores how engineers in design, validation and test can use PXI to save time, increase performance and reduce costs. Specific topics for technical application presentations and demonstrations include practical guidelines for PXI system integration and connectivity with traditional benchtop instruments, designing flexible RF and communications test systems, solving high-channel-count data acquisition applications, integrating mixed-signal test systems, and selecting real-time operating systems for deterministic control and test.

The PXI TAC takes place in the following cities on the corresponding dates:

Dallas, March 28	Irvine, May 9	Juarez, Mexico, May 30
Orlando, April 13	San Jose, May 11	Tijuana, Mexico, June 2
Detroit, April 18	Albuquerque, May 16	Minneapolis, June 8
Chicago, April 20	Denver, May 18	Baltimore, June 13
Toronto, April 27	Phoenix, May 23	Boston, June 15

To learn more about the PXI Technology and Applications Conference and register for an upcoming PXI TAC event, readers can visit pxitac.com.

About PXI

PCI eXtensions for Instrumentation (PXI) is an open specification governed by the PXI Systems Alliance (www.pxisa.org) that defines a rugged, CompactPCI-based platform optimized for test, measurement and control. It is supported by more than 70 member companies and more than 1,150 products are available. PXI products are compatible with the CompactPCI and CompactPCI Express industrial computer standards and offer additional features such as environmental specifications, standardized software and built-in timing and synchronization.

About National Instruments

For 30 years, National Instruments (www.ni.com) has been a technology pioneer and leader in [virtual instrumentation](#) – a revolutionary concept that has changed the way engineers and scientists in industry, government and academia approach measurement and automation. Leveraging PCs and commercial technologies, virtual instrumentation increases productivity and lowers costs for test, control and design applications through easy-to-integrate software, such as NI LabVIEW, and modular measurement and control hardware for PXI, PCI, PCI Express, USB and Ethernet. Headquartered in Austin, Texas, NI has more than 3,800 employees and direct operations in nearly 40 countries. For the past seven years, *FORTUNE* magazine has named NI one of the 100 best companies to work for in America.

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