



# Press Release

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## **ProSTEP iViP Recommendation ECAD/MCAD Collaboration Version 1.2 is now available**

*Darmstadt, April 23, 2009* – The project group ECAD/MCAD Collaboration released the ProSTEP iViP Recommendation PSI 5 in Version 1.2.

The update of the recommendation from version 1.0 to version 1.2 includes the following ameliorations:

- The system- process integration got extended by integrating the ECAD/MCAD collaboration processes into existing PDM/PLM-environments. For this purpose additional use cases and tasks were specified and requirements explicitly for PDM systems were formulated.
- Also, the ECAD/MCAD collaboration schema was extended. Thus, mechanisms for the history and traceability on who started the collaboration are e.g. now available, as well as a concept for self-contained messages and possibilities for the transmittance of PC board layouts.
- In addition, new, harmonized namespaces are now being used.

The ProSTEP iViP Recommendation ECAD/MCAD Collaboration (PSI 5 V1.2) as well as the documentation of the schema in HTML are available for download to anyone interested at the Internet site [www.prostep.org](http://www.prostep.org) free-of-charge.

### ***About the ProSTEP iViP Association***

The ProSTEP iViP Association is an international branch-specific community comprising leading companies in the automotive and aerospace industries, system vendors and research institutes. The aim of the ProSTEP iViP Association is to find solutions for the challenges facing the manufacturing industry as a result of networked collaboration in a worldwide development network.

A concept based on a coherent, cross-organizational and cross-domain view of data, processes and systems provides a solid foundation for meeting these challenges. The Association's five main areas of focus reflect this approach: process management, system integration, product data standardization, engineering collaboration and knowledge transfer.

The ProSTEP iViP Association is headquartered in Darmstadt, Germany, and was founded in October 1993 by 38 industrial companies and a number of system vendors as part of the German STEP initiative. Members of the ProSTEP iViP Association currently include about 200 companies and organizations from 17 nations.

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