



# Auriga's Newsletter

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**W**armest wishes to you during the coming wonderful holiday season! We at Auriga wish you health, wealth and happiness in the New Year!

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## **Auriga achieves CMMI Level 4**

Auriga is proud to announce the results of the official SEI CMMI compliance assessment performed earlier this fall. The company has reached CMMI Level 4 after working for several years on combining its own vast experience and accumulated best practices in implementing software engineering processes with SEI CMMI recommendations.

Dr. Alexis Sukharev, Auriga's President and Founder, commented: "Reaching CMMI Level 4 is the natural step for us in striving for excellence in providing software R&D and product engineering services. We pay high attention to the actual needs of the organizations looking for software outsourcing services, and we make significant investments in QA and processes improvement to meet the customers' expectations. We made a special effort to combine CMMI recommendations that bring stability and predictability to the process with our vision of the ideal service that we practice from day one. This vision is dictated by our customers who want us to be agile, proactive, creative, and flexible in every aspect of our work to provide the best solution for their unique situation. And this combination really pays off for both sides."

## **Auriga brings Linux Kernel to India once more**

Auriga continues to train India's IT force by presenting two new training courses in India in association with the International Institute of Information Technology (I2IT). Last year Auriga announced its first training ini-

tiative in India: in cooperation with I2IT, Auriga provided the "Linux Kernel Programming" course. The training became a unique example of software engineering knowledge exchange between the Russian and Indian IT industries. Following positive feedback from the course participants, Auriga's leading experts in Linux and embedded systems development presented two further training programs on "Linux Kernel Programming Fundamentals" and "Advanced Linux Kernel Programming" early in December this year. The 10-day training event was held at the I2IT Campus, Pune, India and was attended by representatives from major Indian IT companies, including Cognizant Technology Solutions, Tata Consulting Services, Samsung India, and others. Both training courses were highly praised by the participants for their depth, quality, and the right balance between theory and practice. The training attendees particularly appreciated the professionalism, competency, and teaching methodology of Auriga's trainers. Here are some examples of feedbacks Auriga received from the course participants:

**"Every point of the course is useful"**

*Cognizant Technology Solutions*

**"Good balance of theory and hands-on"**

*Persistent Systems*

**"Trainers were experienced and ready to help"**

*Samsung India.*

## **Auriga's President represents Russian IT in India**

In November, Alexis Sukharev participated in a unique event organized in Hyderabad, India by Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley, and Tata Consultancy Services. "Innovation in Emerging Economies: China India Russia 2007" became a premier convention that placed in sharp focus the new picture that is emerging of China, India and Russia, as the potential innovation powerhouses that can tip the technology balance in the near future. Dr. Sukharev, invited to speak on behalf of the Russian IT industry, presented a comprehensive



overview of the current Russian IT industry trends and capabilities, and shared his view on how the Russian IT will develop in the emerging global environment. The Russian IT and outsourcing industry gained a lot of attention from the event attendees, which resulted in plans to hold next year's convention in Russia.

#### **Students today, bright IT workforce tomorrow**

Russian students continue to demonstrate strong performance and earn recognition at international programming contests. This fall Petr Mitrichev, a young talented Russian student programmer from Moscow State University, the Faculty of Mechanics and Mathematics, won the TopCoder Collegiate Challenge (TCCC) for the second consecutive year. This tournament is a prestigious individual competition for student programmers. To win students were to show an ability to solve complicated problems and write a code resistant to cracking. Last year this young Russian talent became the first student to win three largest world individual programming championships at a time: TCCC, TopCoder Open, and Google Code Jam. Russian students were also the best at the worldwide team programming championship held earlier this year in Tokyo, where they won one gold, two silver, and one bronze medal. And to complete the picture of impressive victories, the performance of the Russian students at the ACM contest, the most prestigious intellectual competition for young programmers, should be mentioned. The student teams from the leading Russian universities have repeatedly become world champions in this tournament, gaining the highest results. These achievements give confidence in the future of the Russian IT that draws such bright young talents.

#### **About Auriga:**

Auriga (<http://www.auriga.com/>) is a software R&D and IT outsourcing services provider incorporated in the U.S. that has been operating development centers in Russia since 1990. Auriga was the first to focus on satisfying the specific needs of software and hardware high-tech companies as its driving strategy. Included in CMP's Global Services 100 list since 2006 and in top 10 ITO providers in Central and Eastern Europe according to the 2006 Black Book of Outsourcing, Auriga offers a wide range of services covering all aspects of the entire product engineering area and superb expertise in a rich set of knowledge areas from embedded systems and OS internals to enterprise information systems and Web applications. Auriga's client list includes such industry majors and leaders in their segments as IBM, Draeger Medical, LynuxWorks, NMS Communications, Verdasys, and many others.

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