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Singapore to Host Premier Conference and Exhibition on Computer Graphics

SINGAPORE, Aug. 13 /Xinhua-PRNewswire/ -- ACM SIGGRAPH (Association for Computing Machinery's Special Interest Group on Computer Graphics), the world's largest society on computer graphics, will mark its entry into Asia with SIGGRAPH Asia 2008, to be held in Singapore from 10 - 13 December 2008. At the event, experts from Asia and beyond will offer top-notch contents from the forefront of computer graphics theory and practice.

The coming of SIGGRAPH to Asia is testimonial to the strong growth in the digital media market in Asia. In the past few years, the percentage of research papers from Asia has more than doubled, according to the SIGGRAPH Papers Program. In 2005, Asian research papers constituted 17 percent of the total number of research papers.

"The art and science of computer graphics are advancing in quantum leaps. Given the high quality contents that we seek to offer, we expect the computer graphics fraternity to be amazed by the cutting edge developments on show at SIGGRAPH Asia 2008," says Dr. Lee Yong Tsui, Conference Chair, SIGGRAPH Asia 2008.

According to event manager Koelnmesse, 6,000 attendees are estimated to visit the trade exhibition, while nearly a thousand delegates are expected to sign up for the conference.

"We are very excited about SIGGRAPH Asia 2008. There has been a huge increase in the amount of high quality technical and creative work from Asia and the event will be the perfect venue to showcase them. We look forward to an intellectual and creative exchange between the established SIGGRAPH conference in the United States and this Asian edition," says Scott Owen, President, ACM SIGGRAPH.

"We are pleased to be hosting SIGGRAPH Asia 2008. Bolstered by our strategic location and accessibility to the region and the rest of Asia, Singapore is an ideal venue to launch the inaugural Asian edition of the world's largest and most significant computer graphics event. Hosting this show also complements the development of the Information Communications Technology and Digital Media industry in Singapore, adding to the vibrancy of this sector. We look forward to welcoming computer graphics aficionados worldwide to Uniquely Singapore, and sharing the latest trends in computer

graphics with all visitors to the show," said Mr Aloysius Arlando, Assistant Chief Executive Business Travel and MICE Group, Singapore Tourism Board.

SIGGRAPH Asia 2008 will feature a wide spectrum of anchor programs designed to appeal to academics, professionals, artists, animators and students. The conference and exhibition will feature high-quality and original research papers, a computer animation festival and hands-on courses and tutorials in the latest computer graphics techniques. Other highlights include a digital art gallery, an educators' program, a trade exhibition and a career fair.

On 3rd August 2007, the ACM SIGGRAPH Executive Committee approved Yokohama, Japan as the location for SIGGRAPH Asia 2009. Masa Inakage has been named as the Full Conference Chair.

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