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### **SDR Forum Announces Exceptional Lineup of Keynote Speakers for Upcoming Conference and Product Exposition in Washington, DC**

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**Washington, DC, 17 September 2009** – [The SDR Forum](#) announced today a distinguished slate of keynote speakers for the upcoming [SDR'09 Technical Conference and Product Exposition](#), the premier event for the reconfigurable radio community, to be held from 1 December to 4 December in Washington, D.C. Each day of this conference will feature a different keynote speech presented by a recognized leader in the community on the challenges that exist in the commercial, public safety and defense sectors, and the role of software defined radio (SDR) and cognitive radio (CR) technologies in addressing those challenges.

Keynotes include:

- **Chris Brady**, Vice President, Assured Communications Systems, *General Dynamics C4 Systems*
- **Jan Craninckx**, Chief Scientist of the analog Wireless Research Group, *IMEC*
- **Joe Heaps**, Deputy Chief of Information and Sensor Technologies Division, Office of Justice Programs, *National Institute of Justice*
- **Thomas F. Kern**, Executive Vice President, *Intelligent Transportation Society of America*
- **Carlo Magrassi**, Deputy Chief of Executive Strategy, *European Defense Agency, Brussels*
- **Kazuho Miki**, Department Manager, Network Systems Research Department, Central Research Laboratory of *Hitachi, Ltd.*
- **Christian Serra**, Chief Scientist, *Thales Communication* and CTO of the *ESSOR Program*
- **Danny Weitzner**, NTIA Associate Administrator for Policy, *National Telecommunications and Information Administration Department of Commerce*

The event will also feature an invited presentation by **Christer Svensson**, Professor in Electronic Devices, Linköping University, Sweden.

“With highly distinguished keynote speakers, the significance of SDR and CR technologies across a broad range of industry, academic, and government segments is now evident,” said John Glossner, General Program Chair of the event. “We are extremely excited to attract such a broad range of highly talented speakers.”

SDR'09 represents the latest in an annual conference that has become a highlight on the wireless industry event calendar. Hosted by The SDR Forum, this event brings together world class business and technical leaders from around the world across commercial and civil organizations including service providers, operators, manufacturers, developers, regulatory agencies, and academia. Sponsored by General Dynamics C4 Systems, Harris, Motorola, Xilinx and Wind River, this year's event will include over 100 paper presentations, four workshop sessions, daily tutorials, and a demonstration event, in addition to the product exposition. Additional information on the SDR09 program, workshops and panel sessions can be found at [www.sdrforum.org/sdr09](http://www.sdrforum.org/sdr09). To register, visit our [registration page](#).

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