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## PDES, Inc. Announces 2019 Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award Winner

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Jean-Yves Delaunay of Airbus is the winner of the 2019 Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award. Mr. Delaunay has worked on a variety of technical projects, from standards development to implementor forums and benchmark testing. He has paved the way for harmonization of standards, covering the full product life cycle while addressing requirements for the new wave of digital manufacturing. To this end, he has helped strengthen the PDES, Inc. work program while preparing for the future through his participation in the Five-Year Roadmap initiative.

To improve interoperability between standards and identify solutions based on the standards, Mr. Delaunay has been a major sponsor and initiator of the STEP Extended Architecture. He has worked on three major projects to incorporate the new architecture: 1. AP242 ed2, including new capabilities (Electrical Wire Harness) and enhanced capabilities (PDM, 3D geometry, 3D PMI, composite and mechanical design); 2. AP239 (PLCS) ed3, overarching standard for Product Support specifications; 3. AP243 (MoSSEC), the first AP using web services as the implementation technology.

Due to Mr. Delaunay's recognized expertise and leadership skills, he serves on several international technical organizations, serving as the co-chairman of the SSG (Strategic Standardization Group) in the ASD (European Aerospace and Defense trade association) since 2008 and the Technical Coordinator for Digital Products in ASD-STAN. He has also been the LOTAR Chairman in ASD-STAN since 2006 and the LOTAR Project Leader for Prostep ivip. He acts as STEP AP242 ed2 European Business Project Leader. He is the Airbus representative in the European Committee for Standardization (CEN) Technical Committee 310 Advanced automation Technologies and their applications, Afnor IDMI (Industrial Data and Model Engineering), and in ISO /Technical Committee 184 /Subcommittee 4 Industrial Data.

The PDES, Inc. Executive Board established the Brad Rigdon Technical Management Award in honor of Brad Rigdon, who served as the first President of the PDES, Inc. Board. The Board presents this award annually to a PDES, Inc. member who has demonstrated superior technical management skills on a PDES, Inc. project

PDES, Inc. is a participation-based consortium focused on the development and implementation of model-based standards to support the digital enterprise. Founded in 1988, the organization includes members from Industry, Government and Academia. More information can be found at <https://pdesinc.org/>.

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*Figure 1 Jean-Yves Delaunay, Airbus, receives Brad Rigdon Award from Dr. Michael Jahadi, Lockheed Martin, President and CEO of PDES, Inc.*