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GAF AG Named "Earth Observation Company Of The Year"

GAF AG was recently presented with the **Company Achievement Award 2015** which recognizes GAF as a company that has made significant contributions to the development of the **Earth Observation (EO)** services sector in Europe. The presentation to GAF was made by the chairman and secretary general of the awarding body of the **European Association of Remote Sensing Companies (EARSC)** at the annual association meeting in Brussels. The award reflects the contributions made by GAF over the last 30 years, having grown from a small university spin-off to a European leader in the sector. GAF is one of the most experienced European service providers in the **EU/ESA Copernicus** programme, covering all of its thematic areas and offering particular expertise in Land Monitoring and Emergency Management services. The final selection was made by an independent international jury of renowned experts in the field of Earth observation. www.gaf.de



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Daniela Hudson joins Rüppells Griffon as National Business Development Executive

Leading geospatial analytics firm **Rüppells Griffon** has appointed **Daniela Hudson** as its new national business development executive. Ms Hudson will be responsible for driving sales and finding new channels and markets for Rüppells Griffon's range of specialist services and products. **Rüppells Griffon's co-founder and director, Ana Ouriques**, said, "Daniela is a wonderful addition to the team. She brings with her a wealth of sales and business development experience across a range of verticals, which will be a great asset for helping the company penetrate untapped markets." **Ms Hudson** said, "I'm excited to join a company with a such a unique and powerful business offering. I'm looking forward to helping **Rüppells Griffon** grow as a company and become the go-to geospatial experts in Australia." Throughout Ms Hudson's career, she has demonstrated a clear talent for identifying business trends and opportunities, driving client acquisition and exceeding sales targets. www.ruppellsgriffon.com



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Stratasys appoints Andy Middleton as President, EMEA

Stratasys Ltd. has announced the promotion of **Andy Middleton** to **President of Stratasys EMEA** following his previous role as Senior VP and General Manager, Stratasys EMEA. Effective immediately, Middleton will assume responsibility for Stratasys' EMEA team along with overall responsibility for driving the expansion and development of the Stratasys brand and proposition in EMEA. Following his success in leading the business to exceptional growth, Middleton will also oversee the company's integration of **MakerBot** within the region, which is expected to be completed within the next few months. "With his many years' experience in 3D printing and terrific market knowledge, we believe that Andy is perfectly equipped to drive our integration of MakerBot in EMEA and continue to generate new opportunities for our business growth" says **Stratasys Chief Business Officer, Josh Claman** "As **Senior VP and General Manager EMEA**, Andy was pivotal in leading and expanding our sales operations." www.stratasys.com

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AAM Wins Geospatial Solutions Company of the Year Award

AAM proudly received the "**Geospatial Solutions Company of the Year - 2014**" award at the recent "**Inspire**" - **Geospatial World Forum** held in Lisbon, Portugal. **Mark Freeburn, Global CEO of AAM**, attributed the win to the efforts of AAM staff, saying, "Obviously this is an extraordinary event, one that makes me exceptionally proud to represent AAM. I would like to thank each and every one of the staff in AAM. It is your award, a true global recognition of your professionalism, your attention to achieving excellence and your hard work." These awards recognise the achievements in the geospatial industry by both individuals and organisations for developing innovative geospatial tools and products, implementing valuable policies and applying geospatial technologies in the most resource efficient manner. AAM works on a wide range of geospatial projects worldwide and offers a wide range of geospatial services including surveying, mapping and GIS. www.aamgroup.com



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Intergraph® Honors Virgin Media and Pure Force and Rescue Corp. with Icon Awards

Intergraph Security, Government and Infrastructure (SG&I) presented **Virgin Media** and **Pure Force and Rescue Corp.** with **Icon Awards** for their use of innovation to better serve their customers and communities. Announced at the recent **HxGN LIVE**, Hexagon's annual conference, the Icon Awards are **Intergraph SG&I's** highest customer award. This year's winners, Virgin Media, the U.K.'s leading ultrafast broadband provider, and Pure Force and Rescue Corp., a private initiative supporting public safety in the Philippines, have implemented Intergraph's technologies in visionary ways. "We are honored to recognize Virgin Media and Pure Force and Rescue Corp. for using Intergraph solutions to drive innovation in their industries and make a difference in the communities they serve," said **Steven Cost, Intergraph SG&I President**. "These organizations embody what the Icon Awards are truly about, and we at Intergraph are proud to call them our partners." www.intergraph.com/iconawards.

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ASPRS Elects Rebecca Morton as 2015 Vice President

The **American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ASPRS)** **Tellers Committee** announced that, **Rebecca Morton, GeoWing Mapping, Inc.**, won the election to become **ASPRS Vice President** for 2015. **Rebecca Morton, President and CEO of GeoWing Mapping, Inc.** founded the company in January of 2015 with the goal of offering both traditional photogrammetric mapping services as well as services related to unmanned aircraft systems (UAS). Morton is certified by **ASPRS** as a **Mapping Scientist GIS/LIS** and as a Photogrammetrist and has been an active member of ASPRS since 1995, providing service to the Society at the Regional and National levels. She served as a regional officer from 2006-2013 and began her national leadership by serving first as Assistant Director and then Director of the Photogrammetric Applications Division from 2006-2010, where she worked with others in the development of standards and guidelines for lidar data and mapping accuracy. www.asprs.org

