



The first models of Robosoft robots compatible with Microsoft® Robotics Studio are available

ROBOSOFT is starting to extend the use of Microsoft® Robotics Studio to its entire range of robots for professional use

Bidart, October 16, 2006 : ROBOSOFT, the European leader in service robotics, announced during the RoboBusiness meeting in Pittsburgh PA in June 2006 its intention to extend the use of Microsoft® Robotics Studio (MSRS) to Robosoft's entire range of robots through robuBOX™. Today, even before the first commercial release of MSRS, ROBOSOFT makes the simulation models available for two of its robots.

In robotics, software development is particularly difficult because the implementation of sophisticated algorithms makes finalization stages very long and expensive. The possibility of testing these algorithms on models close to commercial versions, and having realistic graphic displays such as modern video games, allows undertaking hardware and software development in parallel.

"We want to facilitate development and above all finalization of advanced robotic applications by our customers", says Vincent Dupourqué, CEO of ROBOSOFT. "Microsoft® Robotics Studio, with its advanced simulation tools, will allow our customers to develop their applications and validate them by simulations on realistic models before installation on the robots."

The package unveiled by ROBOSOFT includes a video tutorial and two robot models directly usable with MSRS. The package is free of charge, enabling the MSRS community to have the first models of real robots and thus allowing community members to perform thorough evaluations of their product's pre-commercial versions.

ROBOSOFT works in partnership with Microsoft® within the framework of the IDEES program sponsored by Microsoft® France. ROBOSOFT is one of the first robot manufacturers to have adopted MSRS having demonstrated advanced robotic solutions programmed with it. ROBOSOFT believes that Microsoft® Robotics Studio will soon become the programming environment reference for robotics.

Website: www.robosoft.com, then Technologies and Downloads.



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About ROBOSOFT

ROBOSOFT is one of the worldwide leaders in service robotic solutions. Thanks to its high-level skills in a variety of scientific and technical fields, ROBOSOFT has since 1985 developed and supplied advanced mobile robotic solutions for transportation, cleaning, security, health and research applications. ROBOSOFT clients include operators of large buildings and sites open to the public (hospitals, airports, museums, shopping centres, train/bus stations, campuses, amusement and other parks), service providers (urban transportation entities, cleaning companies, security services) and public and private research laboratories.

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