

Press release

ArtSystems showcase complete solutions at GIS 2002

ArtSystems, the specialist trade-only distributor, is attending the GeoSolutions 2002 exhibition this September (17-19) to showcase a wide range of large format ink jet printing and imaging solutions (stand C19).

With a variety of products including plotters, scanners, digitisers and Interactive Whiteboards, these solutions will interest a range of CAD users from engineers, designers and GIS professionals, making the stand a must for all show visitors. ArtSystems have been suppliers into the CAD and GIS arena for over 15 years. Product specialists will be available on the stand along with staff from London-based reseller City and West End Solutions.

ArtSystems Marketing Manager Berni Dack said: "This is the second year we have exhibited at the GIS Show – last year's show was a great success. We are especially keen to demonstrate new large-format printers from hp for the first time in the UK and we will be showcasing the new Interactive Meeting Suite from GTCO with Bluetooth technology."

The recently launched wide format hp designjet copier cc800ps is an all-in-one solution for GIS and CAD professionals needing to reproduce and digitise large format originals. It enables users to easily fulfil the requirements of the Modernising Government White Paper targeting 2004 for all newly created public records to be electronically stored and received; it also allows archived hard copy plans to be scanned and stored in digital format.

HP wide-format printers will also be featured along with the new mid-range Contex Chroma 40" colour scanner.

The new BlueTooth enabled InterWrite Meeting Suite - an interactive whiteboard with meeting pads - will be demonstrated in conjunction with a Phillips projector and RM platform. This solution can be used - by up to eight people at a time - to annotate and highlight areas on projected images such as plans and maps, which can then be saved to file, printed or emailed.

As a light-hearted way of demonstrating the benefits of the system, ArtSystems is bringing along a caricaturist to use the meeting pad as his artist's drawing board, with the work in progress visible to all on the whiteboard. The results will be emailed to the volunteer visitors!

The roll-up digitiser available from GTCO-CalComp will feature on the stand. Ideal for outdoor digitisation to the technical markets of architecture, geology,

land survey technicians, it allows GIS professionals to make client updates from a mobile location.

The London-based reseller City and West End Group will also be present to demonstrate solutions on the stand, including MapInfo GIS software and the hp designjet 5000. They are currently working together with Binnie Black & Veatch (BBV), an international multi-disciplinary firm of consulting engineers, on the UK's largest mapping process that has been undertaken since the Napoleonic Wars.

The project, initiated by the introduction of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, sometimes called the 'Right to Roam' act, has been set up to produce maps that hold information about access to land. Under the auspices of the Countryside Agency (CA) maps are being prepared of all open country and registered common land in England (the Countryside Council for Wales is carrying out the same task in Wales). When completed, this project will provide an accurate map showing areas in England where the public have right of access, with respect to common land and open country.

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About ArtSystems

From its roots in 1987 ArtSystems, the Nottingham-based specialist systems distributor and service provider, has seen significant growth in the past six years. The company serves the CAD/GIS, graphics and signage markets (through specialist value added resellers) with large format scanning and ink jet printing solutions from market leading manufacturers such as HP, Mutoh, Onyx and Contex.

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