

Avant Technology Partners With NEC To Market High-Level Synthesis in Asia

Taiwan, October 26, 2017 - Avant Technology announced today they have partnered with NEC Corporation (NEC; TSE: 6701) to expand the distribution of the high-level synthesis tool, "CyberWorkBench" (CWB), from China & Taiwan into the Japan and Korea market.

CWB is an integrated environment for ASIC/FPGA design consisting of a high-level synthesis tool, as well as dynamic and static verification capabilities that shorten the design period by automatically converting the Large Scale Integrated Circuit (LSI) functions written in C language into circuits that satisfy both the circuit size (area) and performance needs for carrying out a design. CWB has been used for design control LSI for equipment that requires high reliability such as satellites, communications equipment and backbone servers. Since its launch in 2006, CWB has been introduced internationally to more than 100 companies in the manufacturing industry.

"Avant Technology is a well-known EDA & IP distributor in Asia for leading-edge solutions. It is important for NEC to have a highly competent and proactive distributor in Japan and Korea", said Dr. Kazutoshi Wakabayashi, Senior Principal Researcher, Embedded Systems Solution Division, NEC. "We are excited to be collaborating with the valuable skill set of Avant Technology and their ability to bring synergistic technologies together for the benefit of our mutual customers."

"I am very pleased that NEC has chosen Avant Technology to support the sales promotion of CyberWorkBench," said Dr. Yao-Chang Chang, General Manager of Avant Technology. "CWB delivers what system architects need, including best QoR, highest data throughputs, and a suite of verification tools to ensure functional design integrity, all with significant power reduction. One of CWB's most important capabilities is automatic design space exploration, which enables design teams to realize these benefits and meet or exceed their ever shrinking design cycles."

In order to fully benefit from high-level synthesis state-of-the-art tools need to support ANSI-C to directly synthesize any complex software application developed by Software engineers, as well as SystemC to benefit from the growing SystemC ecosystem. CyberWorkBench not only supports these two input languages, but also legacy RTL code, which is important since most designs are incrementally built and designers need to re-use their RTL IPs. For detailed information and a video on CyberWorkBench, please refer to: http://www.cyberworkbench.com

About NEC Corporation

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