

## **The Open Group Announces a Collaborative FACE™ and SOSA™ Consortia Exposition & Technical Interchange Meeting in September 2020**

*Patuxent River, MD – May 6, 2020* - Based on the successful event held in the Fall of 2019, The Open Group FACE™ (Future Airborne Capability Environment) and SOSA™ (Sensor Open Systems Architecture) Consortia are continuing the plans for the 2020 Exposition and Technical Interchange Meeting (TIM), which is scheduled for Tuesday, September 22, 2020. The event, Sponsored by AdaCore, will be held at the Holiday Inn Solomons Conference Center, which is located near NAS (Naval Air Station) Patuxent River in Maryland.

The Open Group hopes to host this as a physical meeting in September 2020 in Solomons, Maryland. However, should COVID-19 remain a threat to safety and travel at that time, then the Expo & TIM (Technical Interchange Meeting) presentations, as well as the Consortia Members meetings, will shift to being virtual. The final decision will be made with the safety and wellness of our partners, Members, sponsors, exhibitors, and attendees as our top priority.

Both The Open Group FACE and SOSA Consortia to be showcased will feature the extensive efforts that enable Modular Open Systems Approaches (MOSA) as specified by the U.S. Department of Defense for new systems development and modification of existing systems. The Expo & TIM will include other open standards such as HOST and CMOSS.

Over 50 companies, all part of growing Open Market Ecosystems, will demonstrate latest FACE Certified and aligned products to the FACE Technical Standard, and products developed to align with the SOSA Technical Standard Snapshot. The event will highlight the latest advances for what promises to be a uniquely valuable business and educational opportunity. Attendees will have an opportunity to learn about new advancements in the development (and fielding) of applications and products for the services' new war-fighting capabilities.

Attendees are invited to a full day of exhibits and demonstrations, as well as targeted topics presented from government, leading industry experts, and academia; including technical papers on the use of technical standards and business practices.

The Expo & TIM on September 22, 2020 is free to attend and open to all those who are interested in open standards, open architectures, and open innovation. Attendees must register in advance, no later than August 25, 2020. The event website with online registration is -- [www.expotim2020.com](http://www.expotim2020.com).

Following the Expo & TIM event, The Open Group FACE and SOSA Consortia Members will meet on September 23-25 at the same location for Members-only F2F meetings.

More about the FACE and SOSA Consortia – [www.opengroup.org/face](http://www.opengroup.org/face) and [www.opengroup.org/sosa](http://www.opengroup.org/sosa)

### **About AdaCore**

AdaCore is a software company specializing in development and verification tools for building software that matters, including hard real-time safety- and security-critical embedded software. Founded in 1994, the company is headquartered in New York and Paris and numbers more than 120 employees worldwide. AdaCore's major products include modern and multi-faceted software development environments that support Ada and also C and C++; a CWE-compatible

advanced static analysis tool for Ada; a formal methods-based analysis suite; and a qualifiable and tunable model-based engineering toolset. All are open source and come with complete customer support. These products are targeted to customers who produce critical high-assurance systems, with a large percentage from the mil/aero community. Applications built with AdaCore tools can be found in military and commercial avionics, air traffic management and control, space satellites and launchers, and other aerospace systems. AdaCore also serves the transportation industry (rail, automotive), developers of high-security software, medical device providers, and other critical domains. AdaCore has been an active contributor to both the technical and business sides of the FACE community since 2012 and is a Principal Member of the FACE Consortium. For further information on AdaCore, the Premier Sponsor of The Open Group FACE and SOSA Consortia Expo & TIM, visit [www.adacore.com](http://www.adacore.com).

### **About The Open Group FACE and SOSA Consortia**

The FACE™ Consortium is a government, academia, and industry partnership formed to define an open avionics environment for all military airborne platform types. It has since grown into an aviation-focused professional group made up of industry suppliers, customers, and users. It provides a vendor-neutral forum for industry, academia and government to work together to develop and consolidate the open standards, best practices, guidance documents, and business strategy. These objectives promote acquisition of affordable software systems, innovation, rapid integration of portable capabilities across global defense programs, and higher efficiency to deploy capabilities.

The SOSA™ Consortium empowers government and industry to collaboratively develop open standards and best practices to accelerate the deployment of affordable, agile, and composable sensor systems.

### **About The Open Group**

The Open Group is a global consortium that enables the achievement of business objectives through technology standards. Our diverse membership includes customers, systems and solutions suppliers, tool vendors, integrators, academics, and consultants across multiple industries. It is also an enabler for consortium participation by US Government agencies. For further information, visit [www.opengroup.org](http://www.opengroup.org).