

## Press Release

### Cooperation between AutoForm and Quantech

**Zurich, Switzerland, June 15, 2007: AutoForm Engineering GmbH, the leading provider of software solutions for die design and sheet metal forming simulation, has announced its cooperation with Quantech ATZ, S.A. – AutoForm exclusively sells Quantech’s software Stampack. The worldwide sale is available both directly and through AutoForm’s agents.**

Dr. Volker Steininger, COO of AutoForm Engineering, stated: “AutoForm and Quantech will adjust their products accordingly. AutoForm is the main software solution for deep drawing and hydroforming processes. Stampack is the complementary solution for niche applications such as ironing, coining, stretch forming, forming of thick sheets, hydroforming of multi chamber profiles, etc.”

The simulation software Stampack has already won several prizes. Stampack has been specialized for one-stage or multi-stage sheet metal forming processes used in automotive, aerospace, household appliance or metal packaging industries. The user interface of Stampack supports graphically the definition of these niche processes which, combined with a very flexible solver, makes the simulation of different forming processes possible.

For users interested not only in the standard deep drawing processes but also in niche processes, the combination of AutoForm and Stampack software is the ideal package. In addition to outstanding accuracy and short computation times for the simulation of deep drawing processes, best results are also achievable now for the simulation of niche applications.

The software of AutoForm and Stampack are oriented towards the development process, focused on practice and their usage does not require FEA expertise. The users can set-up and run the simulations automatically and concentrate on the solution of their engineering problems instead of on the selection of complex numerical parameters. In addition, the experienced Stampack user can define individual forming processes via the open interfaces of Stampack. Using Stampack, the AutoForm customer can design niche sheet metal forming processes without physical prototyping. Such approach results in significant time and cost savings.

“This cooperation permits both Quantech and AutoForm to concentrate on their respective strengths whilst at the same time offering the best simulation software for all sheet metal forming processes”, summarized Dr. Volker Steininger.

#### **About Quantech ATZ, S.A.**

*Quantech ATZ is a spin-off company of the International Center for Numerical Methods in Engineering (CIMNE) in Barcelona. CIMNE is one of the first autonomous research and development centers created by the Generalitat de Catalunya and the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC). In the last fifteen years CIMNE has promoted training and research activities and technology transfer in an international context. For detailed information visit: [www.quantech.es](http://www.quantech.es)*

#### **About AutoForm Engineering GmbH**

*AutoForm Engineering develops and markets specialized die face design and simulation software for the automotive and sheet metal forming industries. With all of the Top 20 automobile producers and customers, AutoForm is recognized as the number one provider of software for product formability, die face design and virtual tryouts to the global automotive industry. AutoForm offices are located in Switzerland, Germany, The Netherlands, France, Spain, Italy, USA, Mexico, India, China and Korea. The company also serves the needs of its customers through agents and distributors in more than 15 other countries (Japan, Turkey, Brazil, etc.). For detailed information visit: [www.autoform.com](http://www.autoform.com)*

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