Panel 12C: Apprentice – VTS Edition Judging Session

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This is the judging session for the Panel 4A: Apprentice – VTS edition. The main objective of this active “panel” is to increase technical interaction among attendees. Team leaders listed below will recruit participants to their team. Each team will try to clearly articulate the problems and come up with ways to solve this problem in the form of new business proposal. The teams will present their findings and business proposals in front of judges during this panel. The winning team will be announced at the end of this panel.

Forming the Teams

Each team is required to have members from three different continents and at least two students to promote interaction among people who may not usually interact at VTS. The teams that do not meet this requirement can still participate but won’t be eligible for the award.

Developing the Plan

Each team had a working discussion session during the panel to define the problem and convincing enough approach to address the problem. Teams were encouraged to carry on conversations outside of the panel sessions also to further develop their ideas. Each team will give five minute presentation at the judging session.

Team Leaders.

The following are the team leaders and their areas of interest. The topic can change based on the team members’ interest and other panel discussions at the conference.

Al Crouch: Asset-Intertech, Tester and Equipment innovations
Bruce Cory: NVidia, Debug and Failure Isolation
Steve Sunter: Mentor Graphics, Analog and RF
Rathish Jayabharathi: Intel, Manufacturing Optimization and structural test
Jim Sproch: Synopsys, Challenging Momentum

Judging (This Panel)

Each team will have five minute to present and five minutes for questions from judges and audience. The audience will have a chance to vote on winning proposals. The winning team announcement and the award delivery will be at the end of the judging session.

Rob Aiken: ARM: ARM Fellow
Laura Oliphant: Intel, Director of Intel Capital
Yervant Zorian: Virage Logic, Chief Scientist & VP

Award Sponsor: Syntest has provided the awards for the winning team. First ten people to join the winning team will receive the awards.