

# **SPI LTUF Newsletter**

# HOUSTON SMARTPLANT INSTRUMENTATION LOCAL TECHNICAL USER FORUM

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# ~ SPI LTUF November meeting seeking Presenters ~



The next Houston SPI LTUF meeting will be held on November 8, 2011 at Mustang Engineering in the Opus Bldg events room, 16001 Park 10 Place, Houston Texas. The meeting will run from 8:00 a.m. until noon and be focused on SmartPlant

Instrumentation Add-ins such as SmartPlant Explorer, External Editor, DDP, Etc. We are looking for members who would be interested in giving presentations on subjects related to SmartPlant Instrumentation. To that end we are asking members to step forward and give us presentations or discussions surrounding SPI add-ins including SmartPlant Explorer, DDP, External editors and interfaces. We are also interested in presentations on any of the following topics: SPI Deliverable and Reports generation, Utilizing automation functions in SPI, Cable management in SPI. If you or someone in your organization would like to give a presentation at the next meeting, please contact John Dressel, john.dressel@fluor.com 281-263-2764. The invitations will go out on November 1 so start making your plans now.

#### ~ Intergraph SmartPlant® Explorer ~



SmartPlant® Explorer is Intergraph Process, Power & Offshore's solution for viewing, querying, and reporting on data generated by Intergraph design applications throughout the plant lifecycle. It presents design data in

the context of the user's needs, turning data into usable information.

SmartPlant Explorer enhances the Plant Design System (PDS<sup>TM</sup>), SmartPlant P&ID, and SmartPlant Instrumentation authoring applications by extending their viewing, querying, and reporting functionality to the Web. It provides a "common user experience" for all supported applications, allowing project or plant personnel to navigate through and report on PDS P&ID data, SmartPlant P&IDs, SmartPlant Instrumentation data, and PDS 3D model information.

SmartPlant Explorer includes many authoring application-specific capabilities, such as:

- Allowing changes to the SmartPlant Instrumentation database to be viewed and analyzed almost immediately via a Web browser.
- Integrating SmartPlant Review with the PDS 3D database, allowing users to view entire models or submit specific queries.
- Providing access to the information in the SmartPlant P&ID data model, and providing search and view capabilities through a logical, hierarchical structure.

Enabling access to various item types within the SmartPlant Instrumentation data model, and allowing users to explore wiring data stored in SmartPlant Instrumentation. More than 20 SmartPlant Instrumentation report formats are available to provide comprehensive reporting capabilities.

SmartPlant Explorer is a cost-effective solution to administer and maintain. Microsoft Internet Explorer is the only client requirement for complete use of SmartPlant Explorer. The familiar Internet Explorer interface eliminates the need for special training, allowing immediate productivity.



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## ~ Post your Change Requests to the CR Ranking Website ~



Don't forget to submit your outstanding Change Requests to the TECHNICAL USER FORUM Change Request Ranking Website http://www.sptuf.com/. Please visit the site periodically to rank the

Change Request to have your preferences included in the ranking. Remember, your participation in the CR Ranking is the best way to get your needs known to Intergraph.

### ~ SmartPlant® Instrumentation Represented on Linkedin ~



At the SPI / SPEL Global Technical User Forum meeting at HEXAGON 2011, Sally Bos & Nicole Brlek of Intergraph PP&M EMIA Marketing gave a presentation about the benefits of joining a SPI LinkedIn group where

Intergraph is officially sponsoring TUF activity and where one will find a single on-line place (community) for experts with the same interests to share expertise, best practices, and experiences with each other, globally, year-round. It will also serve as a tool to help regional chair persons to organize local meetings and provide a clear and simple process for TUF's interaction with the Intergraph product center.





Currently the most active SPI Linkedin group is the "SmartPlant Instrumentation (SPI) INtools" with over 1,500 members and about 50 discussions. Be aware

that this site was public until recently and may be a source of spam emails. The large membership it could also be a source of a wealth of information and solutions to your SPI issues.



The Linkedin "SmartPlant Instrumentation" group was created to serve as an online discussion forum for year-round SmartPlant Instrumentation networking among SPI users and the Intergraph product owners. SPI users can also share their expertise, experiences and best practices online. This group is for members only so you must receive an invitation to

join. To get an invitation, send an email to John Dressel <john.dressel@fluor.com> or Nicole Brlek <nicole.brlek@intergraph.com> requesting membership in this group.



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