Testimonials

OpenAccess Gains Momentum in the User Community

Jack Hurt, Tektronix Fellow, Microelectronics Group, Tektronix

“Tektronix is excited to be joining the OpenAccess Coalition and participating in the OpenAccess standard. OpenAccess is the first database solution to meet our analog and mixed-signal requirements for technology and extensibility combined with an open API standard that is also supported by a solid and growing base of EDA tools.

The common data model that OpenAccess provides will allow us to create tomorrow’s high performance ASICs with a flexible, best-in-class mix of our own internal tools and commercial tools.”

About OpenAccess

OpenAccess is a standard API and a reference database implementation developed through the OpenAccess Coalition (OAC). OpenAccess provides an interoperability platform for complex digital, analog, and mixed-signal IC design based on a common, open and extensible architecture that allows use of the most effective design tools available from multiple vendors. The OAC is a group of 16 top electronics and electronic design automation companies focused on creating a standard for true design tool interoperability.
Sudhakar Sabada,  
Vice President,  
Design Technology,  
LSI Logic Corporation

“LSI Logic is adopting the OpenAccess database as a building block for our upcoming design kits, to ease our integration of internal and external solutions for creating best-in-class design flows. The porting of our graphical viewer tool to OpenAccess was quite easy, thanks to its object-oriented, C++ API. LSI has seen a threefold reduction in data file sizes, and expects to see additional performance gains in the design process with better streamlined data management.”

Lambert van den Hoven,  
VP and GM,  
Design Technology Group,  
Philips Semiconductors B.V.

“The challenges of 90nm and 65nm flows demand more integration throughout the design chain than ever before. Philips has committed to OpenAccess because of the advanced design capabilities, and the flexibility to extend and improve the design chain further with both in-house and external tools. We plan to continue our leadership role in OpenAccess to help the industry achieve that vision.”
Terry Blanchard,  
Director of VLSI Strategy,  
Systems and VLSI  
Technology Division,  
Hewlett-Packard

“Few EDA industry standards have the opportunity to create the impact on our future advanced design system as OpenAccess, which is a truly customer-driven movement for interoperability in advanced EDA flows. HP has been an active participant at all levels and in all working groups, because of the strategic importance of an open standard to HP’s design flows.

The open availability of API and reference database source code is a necessary element for us to move from our highly tuned internal proprietary database technology. We have been pleased with the progress and growing momentum of OpenAccess, and look forward to utilizing this standard in our future design flows.”

Masao Nakaya,  
Dr. Eng.,  
General Manager,  
Design Technology Div.,  
LSI Product Technology Unit,  
Renesas Technology Corp.

“Renesas Technology Corp., a joint venture between Hitachi, Ltd. and Mitsubishi Electric Corporation, recognizes the importance of a common database for it’s unified design system, which depends upon custom add-on tools to satisfy demanding design closure requirements.

OpenAccess is enabling for our tools direct-access to incremental data changes, necessary for 90nm flow convergence, to drastically reduce design turnaround time. Renesas is committed to OpenAccess for our advanced design flows.”
The OpenAccess Coalition is a neutral organization of industry leaders that are leading this effort, operating under Si2 bylaws.

Si2’s mission is to achieve industry adoption of collaborative technology and services that deliver higher levels of silicon design integration, enabling compelling advantages for our members through reduced costs, faster time to market, and improved IC design capability. EDA, semiconductor and systems companies are invited to join.

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