



PRESS RELEASE

SYCODE launches STEP file import plug-in for AutoCAD

Panaji - 24th Oct, 2007 - SYCODE today launched *STEP Import for AutoCAD*, a STEP file import plug-in for AutoCAD 2000 through to 2008.

"The STEP file format is widely used to exchange 3D data between different CAD systems", explains Deelip Menezes, owner of SYCODE. "STEP files contain 3D geometry data of solid models. STEP Import for AutoCAD reads the 3D geometry data from STEP files and creates 3D curve objects corresponding to each edge in the solid model. These 3D curves are added to the current AutoCAD drawing, thereby yielding the wireframe geometry of the solid in the STEP file."

The STEP file format has its roots in an ISO standard. STEP stands for the Standard for the Exchange of Product model data. The standard's objective is to provide a mechanism that is capable of describing product data throughout the life cycle of a product, independent from any particular system. The nature of this description makes it suitable not only for neutral file exchange, but also as a basis for implementing and sharing product databases and archiving. Almost all 3D solid modeling systems are capable of exporting 3D solid model data to the STEP file format. This makes STEP Import for AutoCAD an important tool to AutoCAD users who wish to collaborate with users of 3D solid modeling systems.

STEP Import for AutoCAD works with AutoCAD 2000, 2000i, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008. This is in line with our commitment to develop and support plug-ins for AutoCAD 2000 onwards till it is technically possible and feasible.

STEP Import for AutoCAD is priced at 195 EUR and is available as a fully functional 10 day/run trial. The software comes with detailed documentation in the form of a compiled HTML help file which contains a step-by-step tutorial to get the end user started in the shortest possible time.

Detailed information about STEP Import for AutoCAD and a trial download can be found at http://www.sycode.com/products/step_import_ac/index.htm.

About SYCODE

SYCODE develops cutting-edge software solutions for Computer Aided Design (CAD). These solutions are in the form of standalone applications or plug-ins that work inside major CAD systems such as AutoCAD, Autodesk Inventor, Autodesk 3D Studio MAX, Autodesk VIZ, Autodesk Maya, SolidWorks, Solid Edge, SpaceClaim, Rhinoceros, Alibre Design, IntelliCAD, IRONCAD, INOVATE, Acrobat, SketchUp, etc.

SYCODE also designs, develops and implements customized software solutions for companies worldwide. The customized solution may be a standalone application working closely with the client's existing CAD application or a plug-in to the CAD application.

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