

Revelation Software Hosts Second User Group in London

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Representatives From Over 30 Companies Across EMEA Attended:

Next Event Scheduled for January 04

Revelation Software, a leading application development tool company, held its second UK Revelation User Group (RUG), on 24 September 2003, demonstrating its ongoing commitment to supporting its user community. Revelation welcomed users, developers and prospects from around the EMEA region to the event, which provided the perfect opportunity for members to meet and share ideas with other developers working with Revelations products.

The user group was very successful, with visitors travelling from as far a field as Ghana, Switzerland and the Isle of Man. Colin Rule, technical director at CSSP, gave the first presentation which consisted of a demonstration and explanation of his technical construction software, developed using Revelation's OpenInsight product. In addition, Mike Ruane, president and CEO of Revelation US, discussed the upcoming release of OpenInsight version 7 and received valuable input and ideas from the many users and developers who attended.

"We find that by holding User Groups, the team here at Revelation can maintain an open line of communication with our users and gain added insight about their needs," said Francesca McAuley, managing director of Revelation Software Limited. "Our users find these events very beneficial and they are an opportunity to share knowledge and experience with other Revelation users. They also provide a great opportunity to catch up with friends and colleagues that users have met through the online user group resource."

"As well as being beneficial for the users, the input Revelation itself receives at these forums is invaluable to future product design, as we can understand what our customers want out of the tools. It is essential for a company like ours that our users needs come first. The user groups also enable us to update them about the impending new versions coming onto the market," concluded Francesca.

John Godfrey, principle at Carys Computing found the user group particularly beneficial, especially the presentation from CSSP; "The demonstration showed that when you need the combination of a high degree of mathematical and database complexity OpenInsight has no competitors. In addition, the RUG was a great

opportunity to influence the way the product develops so that it meets our ever changing needs.”

Richard Guise, managing director at Tornado Property Systems Ltd said; “Seemingly killed off by the Internet discussion forums, it soon became apparent that the Revelation user group had provided something different and probably unique for application developers. Its rebirth has proved the point as evidenced by the strong local and international attendance at the second meeting since its reformation.”

In addition to the user group meetings, Revelation hosts an online discussion forum for its members. The forum allows its customers to interact with each other, develop and discuss ideas, and find out about future events, conferences and workshops. This part of the web site has been designed and made available to members of the RUG following the suggestion at the first meeting in July 2003. It contains details of meetings, contact information, and utilities and code snippets offered by and swapped between members. These pages are private to the group attendees.

The User Group meets once every quarter at various locations in and around London. The next User Group is in January 2004. You can register your interest in the next user group by completing and returning the form at <http://www.revsoft.co.uk/rug.htm>.

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