Resources

Supercomputer Conference in Oregon

Learn more about the biggest, fastest, meanest computer systems at **Supercomputing '93** in Portland, Oregon, on November 15–19. The conference, sponsored by the IEEE Computer Society and the ACM, will feature more than 70 papers on the latest advances in high-performance computing. The program includes presentations from IBM, Los Alamos Labs, MIT, and Industrial Light & Magic. On Monday and Friday, tutorial sessions cover a range of topics such as parallel computing and high-performance I/O. There will also be a vendor exhibition.

Early registration (by 10/15) for the three-day conference costs \$300 for ACM members or \$390 for nonmembers. Registration for each full-day tutorial runs \$285, or \$370 for non-members. Substantial discounts are available to students. Contact the IEEE Computer Society, PO Box 18405, Washington, DC 20036; 202.371.1013, fax 202.728.0884.

Keep Up With Disk Drive Trends

The latest trends for all types of disk drives are analyzed in the *Disk/Trend Report*. Published four times per year, each report covers a single segment of the market: disk-drive arrays, optical disks, hard disks, and flexible disks. The reports contain a thorough set of product listings, vendor descriptions, and market forecasts; they are available on paper or (of course) disk.

The complete set of four reports is priced at \$5,056; individual reports are also available. Contact Disk/Trend, 1925 Landings Drive, Mt. View, CA 94043; 415.961.6209, fax 415.969.2560.

Warm and COSE in San Jose

Now that the UNIX vendors say they have finally gotten together (see **0713MSB.PDF**), they're throwing a confer-

ence to prove it. The **Common Desktop Environment** (**CDE**) **Developers Conference** will be held October 26–28 at the San Jose Convention Center. CDE is intended to let ISVs run their applications "on every major platform in the universe" (provided that platform runs UNIX, of course). The conference will detail various aspects of the CDE; a special pre-conference tutorial on Monday discusses the Motif interface.

Attendance at the conference costs \$895, including the optional Motif tutorial. Contact IDG World Expo, 111 Speen Street, Framingham, MA 01701; 800.225.4698 or 508.879.6700, fax 508.872.8237.

Profibus Standard Now in English

Profibus is an open bus standard for industrial automation that uses RS485-based twisted pair digital networking. The *Profibus Standard* is now available in an English-language version of "more than 700 easy-to-read pages." Previous versions were written in harder-to-read French and German. The two-volume documentation is priced at \$560, or \$450 for members of the Profibus Trade Organization (PTO). Contact PTO at 750 Holiday Drive, Building 9, Pittsburgh, PA 15220; 800.228.1737 or 412.921.3322, fax 412.921.3356.

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