



Press Release

Aethon CEO Aldo Zini to Present During Virtual Robotics Summit

June 15, 2010 — PITTSBURGH, PA — Aethon, the nation's leading provider of mobile, self-directed robots to hospitals, will present "Commercializing Autonomous Robots: A Whole New Perspective" during the 2010 Robotics Summit. The virtual conference occurs online June 16, and registration is free.

Aldo Zini, Aethon president and CEO, will discuss how Aethon successfully used a problem-solving approach to resolving a business challenge with robotics, which has resulted in both an engineering and a commercial success. "Robots that are developed in response to real-world rather than theoretical problems have the greatest chance of commercial success," said Zini. "Many fantastic engineering feats never realize financial or operational success because they're driven by engineering expertise rather than viewed as a solution to a business problem."

Aethon's autonomous robots, called TUGs, are used in more than 100 hospitals across the country to deliver, track and retrieve goods and supplies, such as medications, equipment, meals, linens and waste. TUG robots are a dependable and affordable solution that allow hospitals to increase productivity, save money and enhance patient care by freeing-up clinical staff to focus on direct patient care.

The 2010 Robotics Summit, a virtual conference series on robotics trends, is a business-to-business professional event that features various Web-based speaker presentations on the latest robotics and intelligent systems developments. Participants can interact with sponsors, take part in interactive demonstrations, connect with colleagues, and network with other participants and solution providers through instant messaging and virtual business card exchanges. More information and registration for the Robotics Summit is available at www.robovirtualevents.com.

Zini has been at the forefront of technology innovation his entire career and holds several patents in robotic technology. He holds a Bachelor of Science in industrial engineering from the University of Pittsburgh and a master's in public management from Carnegie Mellon University.

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About Aethon: Aethon is a leader in healthcare supply chain logistics and workflow solutions, providing a broad range of departmental and hospital-wide applications that automate the movement of equipment and supplies. At the core of Aethon's solution is a proprietary autonomous mobile robot, known as the TUG, which can be used to deliver, track and retrieve medications, supplies, meals, equipment and more. TUGs improve asset utilization, ensure regulatory compliance, reduce costs, enhance clinical productivity, improve workflow and allow clinicians to focus on patient care. Hospitals using TUGs realize an ROI of 20 to 50 percent, while improving nurse and patient satisfaction. More information is available at www.aethon.com.
