



## News Bulletin

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**Subject: Voting Opens in SpringSoft Superhero Story Contest**

**SAN JOSE, Calif.** — [SpringSoft, Inc.](#), a global supplier of specialized IC design software, has chosen five finalists and has opened online voting to the EDA community to decide a winner in its superhero story contest. The contest highlights extraordinary engineering efforts that made a difference either in an engineer's personal life or at work. The winning story will be featured in a new version of the SpringSoft anime comic strip featured on the SpringSoft website.

Voting is open until November 13 at [http://www.springsoft.com/superhero\\_comics/superhero-story-vote](http://www.springsoft.com/superhero_comics/superhero-story-vote)

The five finalists were chosen from more than two dozen entrants who detailed a unique or extraordinary challenge they faced in the design or implementation of a complex IC. The entries ranged from descriptions of a difficult debug or verification issue, to a challenge arising from a large, complex design, to a layout or implementation issue. In each case, engineers detailed how they overcame their challenges and how doing so has benefited their lives.

The winning entry will have a custom designed comic strip created that describes their challenge and solution in the creative format SpringSoft first debuted at the 2009 Design Automation Conference. The winner will receive the original framed hand drawn artwork.

All contest entrants received a 2GB USB flash drive, and SpringSoft made a donation on behalf of each entrant to UNICEF. One lucky entrant will win a Samsung Netbook NC-10 in a random draw.

### **About SpringSoft**

SpringSoft, Inc. (TAIEX: 2473) is a global supplier of specialized automation technologies that accelerate engineers during the design, verification and debug of complex digital, analog and mixed-signal ICs, ASICs, microprocessors, and SoCs. Its award-winning product portfolio features the Novas Verification Enhancement and Laker Custom IC Design solutions used by more than 400 of today's leading IDM and fabless semiconductor companies, foundries, and electronic systems OEMs. Headquartered in Hsinchu, Taiwan, and San Jose, California, SpringSoft is the largest company in Asia specializing in IC design software and a recognized industry leader in customer service with more than 400 employees located in multiple R&D sites and local support offices around the world. For more information, visit [www.springsoft.com](http://www.springsoft.com).

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