

Press Release

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Mori Seiki Enters Collaborative Development of Post-Processors with Major CAM Vendors

**After the installation of the integrated mill turn center, machining programs
can be output from CAM software immediately.**

Mori Seiki has entered into a collaborative agreement with 5 leading CAM software vendors, UGS, CNC Software, PathTrace, Gibbs and DP Technology, to develop **post-processors** for its **NT series of integrated mill turn centers.**

Usually, when customers purchase a multi-axis machine, they have to contact the CAM software vendors or their distributors directly to ask them to develop post-processors to generate machining programs. It usually takes several months until they can actually develop proper post processors to output machining programs. Also, while CAM software vendors and their distributors make original post-processors for individual customers all over the world, in reality there is a lot of redundancy.

The collaborative development which Mori Seiki has entered with CAM software vendors will help both Mori Seiki and CAM developers to share data and expertise directly, and will allow the developers to deliver high-quality post-processors to customers quickly.

This collaborative development enables customers to use the default post-processors developed by the world's leading CAM software vendors of "UG-NX," "MasterCAM," "EdgeCAM," "GibbsCAM," and "ESPRIT," all over the world. Customers, CAM software vendors and their distributors will only have to do partial customization of the posts, and **customers can start machining right after they install their new machine.**

Mori Seiki will continue with this collaborative agreement with CAM software vendors so that post-processors can be used as soon as a new machine tool model is released to the market, as well as taking leadership within the industry in providing high productivity solutions and excellent service.

■ Glossary

A post-processor is software responsible for translating neutral machining instructions (tool path data) from the CAM system into the specific NC program format for the machine tool and control unit.

■ Post-processor contact information:

CAM Product(Company)	Distribution method Local Dealer\Reseller\Direct Sales information
NX CAM (UGS Corporation.)	Pricing and distribution through local sales office listed at http://www.ugs.com/about_us/contact/sales_offices.shtml
MasterCAM (CNC Software Inc.)	Pricing and distribution through local reseller listed at https://secure.mastercam.com/findareseller/Default.aspx
Esprit (DP Technology)	DP Technology sells both through Direct (USA) and VAR channels. For more information contact the DP Technology Corporate office at 800 627-8470 in USA or via Email at esprit@dptechnology.com
EdgeCAM (Pathtrace)	Available through local EdgeCAM reseller. http://www.edgecam.com/ and the click on the reseller menu item to find a local reseller or contact Dave Boucher dboucher@pathtrace.com .
GibbsCAM (Gibbs and Associates)	Through local worldwide Gibbs resellers. Contact sales@gibbscam.com for more information or call phone (805) 523-0004 Ext 262 in the USA.