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For Immediate Release

Symposium LIVE – an Affordable Digital Language Lab Solution for any Classroom

Montréal, Canada; March 06, 2007 – Robotel’s new Symposium LIVE digital language lab system is a cost-effective solution for teacher-led language learning activities in classrooms in which students may not have individual computers.

What is Symposium LIVE?

Symposium LIVE is a digital language lab system. In classrooms having a single teacher computer, Symposium LIVE equips teachers with a simple desktop graphical control panel, from which they are able to:

- Present new concepts using the Internet, computer programs, documents, multimedia materials (tapes & CDs), or live presentations
- Employ stimulating multimedia materials in target language activities
- Assign students to pairs or small groups to practice speaking and listening skills
- Monitor student work inconspicuously and privately respond to student “electronic raised hand” calls

Symposium LIVE Gets Students Excited about Learning

Symposium LIVE's multimedia capabilities captivate today's language students, who are growing up in a world where the Internet, video games, instant messaging and e-mail are all part of their daily lives.

Students are also able to work with their peers in pairing and small group activities, where they can practice their listening and speaking skills.

Students appreciate the comfortable padded headsets that isolate them from outside disturbances and enable them focus on their own work. Students are able to discreetly call for help by pressing on their call button, and teachers are able to privately respond to student calls on a one-on-one basis.

Symposium LIVE Empowers Teachers to Orchestrate Student Activities with Ease

Symposium LIVE provides teachers with a set of easy-to-use tools for staging a powerful and comprehensive array of learning activities. Symposium LIVE's graphical user interface organizes functions in a logical and intuitive fashion so that most individual, pair-work, and group-work activities can be implemented at the touch of a button.

With Symposium LIVE, teachers are able to group students according to ability, and run differential learning activities in each group – assuring that all students are full challenged and are getting the most out of their assignments.

Teachers really appreciate Symposium LIVE's *Walk-In & Teach* technology, which enables them to use existing teaching materials, like audiocassette tapes, VHS tapes, and DVDs, without any special preparation. Older analog materials are automatically digitized into the Symposium LIVE media library the first time they are used, and are then available in digital format for all subsequent classes.



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Symposium LIVE is an Affordable Solution for any Classroom

Symposium LIVE works with a single teacher computer connected to a projector or large screen television. This enables video-based lesson materials to be run at the teacher station and shared with the class.

Symposium LIVE employs a set of dedicated hardware modules for all audio communications, ensuring that students and teachers have crystal clear sound for both listening and speaking activities.

Because Symposium LIVE does not require that students have computers, it is a very affordable solution for grade schools, middle schools, and junior high schools. Symposium LIVE is also an excellent entry-level product for higher education classrooms and adult learners.

The Symposium Product Family

Symposium LIVE is the latest member of the Symposium product family. Symposium language learning solutions now include the following members:

- Symposium
- LogoLAB
- IntraLAB
- Symposium LIVE

Symposium products have been developed with a common modular architecture that enables schools to select the product that meets their immediate needs, and then expand capabilities as needs evolve and/or as budgets permit.

Symposium LIVE shares a common audio platform with Symposium and IntraLAB, and can be easily upgraded if student computers are introduced into the language lab. Symposium



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LIVE can also be combined with LogoLAB in computer lab environments to provide a powerful computer-based language learning solution supporting a balance of teacher-led and student self-study activities.

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Robotel is a global supplier of interactive, multimedia control systems and language learning solutions for educational, corporate and government clients. Robotel is a leader in the educational and training systems market, having more than 20 years of experience as a manufacturer of computer-based teaching systems. The firm has a top-rated customer service group and a large installed base of active customers. The company is based in Montréal, Canada and has a strong presence in North American, South American, European, Asian, and Middle Eastern markets.

More Information about Robotel's Language Learning Systems

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