

# SAS®9 Available For Intel® Itanium® 2-based Systems

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CARY, N.C. and SANTA CLARA, Calif., May 4, 2004 - SAS and Intel Corporation today announced the immediate availability of SAS®9 on Intel-based servers and clients. Intel's joint effort with SAS expands on years of collaboration between the two companies and will help users expand business intelligence throughout the enterprise by using SAS 9 running on Intel® Itanium® 2 processor-based servers and Intel® Centrino™ mobile technology-based notebooks.

The two companies are working together to proliferate mobile solutions throughout the enterprise so users can get access to critical business information whenever and wherever they need it. SAS 9 on Intel architecture is designed to handle the realities of mobile computing in both a wired and unwired environment. This effort is part of Intel's Mobilized Software Initiative that applies architectural concepts similar to offline-networked messaging to a broader range of applications.

The enhanced SAS 9 solution with Itanium 2-based systems gives organizations the computational power, massive data processing ability and scalability to compute more in less time. Customers will benefit greatly from the ease of use of SAS 9 and the Itanium 2 processor's powerful memory and data throughput capabilities.

As just one example of how this platform is being used, the Cornell Institute for Social and Economic Research (CISER) recently deployed an Itanium 2-based Unisys ES7000\* server with SAS 9 and Microsoft Windows\* Server 2003 solution to boost data analysis performance and streamline its data center.

"SAS 9 and our Itanium 2 processor-based hardware have allowed researchers to speed through data analysis faster and ask questions they couldn't ask before," said Janet Heslop, computing systems manager at CISER. "Based on our experience with SAS 9 on Itanium 2 processors, we are now doubling the size of our Itanium 2-based system and evaluating the new capability of SAS Enterprise BI server, which we anticipate will help users access their results easily using familiar tools like Microsoft Excel\* and Microsoft Word\*."

"Intel and SAS are committed to delivering innovative mobile business intelligence solutions that are easy to deploy and provide a high return on investment," said Melissa Laird, general manager, solutions enabling division, Intel. "SAS software running on Itanium 2-based systems can turn massive amounts of data into business intelligence more rapidly and effectively giving customers a solution they can depend on."

"SAS 9 delivers unprecedented performance and simplicity that gives more people access to the power of SAS analytics. With more users comes the need for more power and that's where Intel's Itanium 2 processor comes in," said Keith Collins, CTO at SAS. "Together, Intel and SAS enable businesses to run scalable applications that extract

business information and apply it intelligently in order to improve operations, increase profitability, and keep costs down."

## About SAS

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