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**GRACE HOPPER CELEBRATION FOR WOMEN IN COMPUTING INTRODUCES
NEW HARDWARE TRACK AT 2008 CONFERENCE**

Sun Microsystems Labs Sponsors First Conference Scholarships

PALO ALTO, Calif. — June 9, 2008 —The Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology (ABI) announced today that the 2008 Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) of Women in Computing Conference will include a hardware track for the first time in the history of the conference. The hardware track will feature such diverse topics as “Using Commercial Hardware in Space Computing Platforms” and “Innovating with Chip Multithreading Technologies.”

In recognition of the introduction of the hardware track at this year’s conference, the VLSI Group at Sun Microsystems Laboratories is providing scholarships to enable two women students interested in hardware development to attend the conference. The scholarships will cover travel and registration for two women students in the field of computer hardware to attend GHC 2008. The scholarships will be awarded to applicants focusing on hardware development with preferred knowledge in the areas of Multi-core architectures, CAD tool research and Parallel programming.

Sun is the first company to provide this type of scholarship for the GHC Women in Computing Conference, underscoring Sun’s promotion and support for computer hardware research.

The 2008 GHC Women in Computing Conference will be held October 1-4 at the Keystone Resort in Colorado. The deadline to submit a scholarship application is June 15, 2008. For more information and an application, go to <http://gracehopper.org/2008/participate/student-scholarships/>.

About the Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) of Women in Computing Conference

Co-founded by Dr. Anita Borg and Dr. Telle Whitney in 1994 and inspired by the legacy of Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper, the Grace Hopper Celebration (GHC) of Women in Computing Conference is designed to bring the research and career interests of women in computing to the forefront. Presented with the Association on Computing Machinery (ACM), the GHC Conferences offer opportunities for mentoring, motivation, networking, and technical and career development. The world’s largest gathering of technical women in computing, the GHC Conference has become a premier event for ABI sponsors to recruit new talent, promote their organization, and inspire their workforce.

About the Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology (ABI)

The Anita Borg Institute provides resources and programs to help industry, academia, and government recruit, retain, and develop women leaders in high-tech fields, resulting in higher levels of technological innovation. ABI programs serve high-tech women by creating a community and providing tools to help them develop their careers. ABI is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 charitable organization. ABI Partners include: Google, Microsoft Corporation, HP, Sun, Cisco, Intel, SAP, Juniper Networks, National Science Foundation, National Center for Women in

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