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## The leader in RISC-V simulation solutions

**Headline News** 



The MIPS flexible compute solutions are now supported with Imperas reference models and Ashling SDK tools, ready for the complete SoC design phase and end-user development.

"It has often been said that silicon without software is just sand," said **Simon Davidmann, CEO at Imperas Software Ltd**. "Simulation is now essential for software development for the leading multicore processors with advanced features such as the MIPS eVocore P8700 RISC-V Multiprocessor. Imperas reference models and Ashling tools provide support throughout the design cycle from multicore architectural exploration, OS porting, and driver development through to virtual prototypes and FPKs as virtual development boards for end users."

If you'd like to find out more, please follow this link.



#### **RISC-V Webinar with Imperas, eSol Trinity, and NSITEXE, April 13**

This webinar will be presented in Japanese and will focus on the latest RISC-V verification solutions supporting the growing adoption of RISC-V across the worldwide semiconductor industry.

### Overview of the RISC-V verification environment supporting the growing RISC-V adoption worldwide

This webinar will introduce the overview and configuration of the RISC-V verification environment while presenting examples from NSITEX, an industry leader in developing unique processor IPs. In addition, Imperas, a leading company that provides hardware design verification solutions for RISC-V, will explain the global trends surrounding RISC-V and its implications for the RISC-V verification ecosystem.

 When:
 April 13, 2023 – 2pm (JST)

 Event link:
 https://www.esol-trinity.co.jp/event/757

If you wish to speak with Imperas about this event, please email us by following this <u>link</u>.



#### Imperas will present at Cadence Live Silicon Valley, April 19-20

The <u>Cadence Live Silicon Valley</u> event at the Santa Clara Convention Center brings users, developers, and industry experts together to connect, share

ideas, and inspire design creativity. Imperas will present a technical paper on Fast Processor Models for Software Bring Up and Hardware-Software Co-Verification during the event.

#### RISC-V Fast Processor Models for Software Bring-Up and Hardware-Software Co-Verification with Palladium

This paper reports on using Open Virtual Platforms (OVP) Fast Processor Models for the hybrid 'software simulation-hardware emulation' technique. While this flow has already been deployed with Palladium users, adopting the same interface to Protium means that the FPGA prototyping tool can also be used in this hybrid mode.

Presenter:	Larry Lapides, Imperas Software
Co-Authors:	Andrew Wilmot, Cadence Design Systems
	Ross Dickson, Cadence Design Systems
When:	Verification Track - April 20, 2023, AM Sessions

For more information or to set up meetings with the Imperas team at Cadence Live Silicon Valley, please email <u>info@imperas.com</u>



#### Imperas presenting at IP-SoC Silicon Valley, April 24

Imperas is participating in the <u>Design & Reuse IP-SoC</u> event with a presentation on the new verification ecosystem supporting the growth in RISC-V adoption by SoC developers.

#### The Lost Art of Processor Verification

This talk outlines the vision for the RISC-V verification ecosystem with resources available to all adopters based on new standards and methodologies while leveraging established SoC verification methods with UVM and SystemVerilog. RISC-V represents a massive migration in verification responsibility and the creation of a new verification ecosystem.

Speaker:Larry Lapides. Imperas SoftwareWhen:April 24, 2023 – TBD (PDT)

For more information or to request a meeting with the Imperas staff during IP SoC Silicon Valley 2023, please contact: <u>info@imperas.com</u>.





Calista Redmond, CEO of RISC-V International, chats with Larry Lapides during the RISC-V Summit.



Brandon Lewis, Editor-in-Chief at Embedded Computing Design, interviews Larry Lapides during Embedded World 2023.

#### Articles



#### Ventana Micro selects Imperas Solutions for RISC-V processor verification

Imperas has announced that Ventana Micro has selected Imperas simulation and test and verification solutions for the RISC-V processors under development as IP cores and chiplets...

To read the full Electronic Specifier article by Kristian McCann, click here.

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#### Imperas and Synopsys collaborate on SystemVerilog-based RISC-V verification

Imperas Software, a specialist in RISC-V models and simulation solutions, is working with Synopsys to address the growing demand for RISC-V processor verification...

To read the full **New Electronics** article by **Neil Tyler**, <u>click here</u>.



#### **Designing For Data Flow**

Processing more data in more places while minimizing its movement becomes

a requirement and a challenge...

To read the full **Semiconductor Engineering** article by **Marie C. Baca**, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

#### What Makes RISC-V Verification Unique?

The verification of a processor is a lot more complex than a comparably-sized ASIC, and RISC-V processors take this to another layer of complexity...

To read the full **Semiconductor Engineering** article by **Brian Bailey**, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

**Release Information** 

#### riscvOVPsim and riscvOVPsimPlus - LATEST NEWS

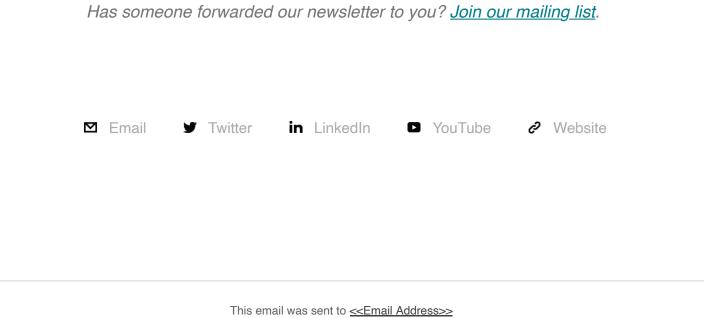
The latest Imperas and OVP release at the <u>Open Virtual Platforms</u> website.



For an introduction to RISC-V the free single-core envelope model, called **riscvOVPsim**, is an excellent starting point, which can be configured for all the ratified ISA features and includes support of the latest ratified specifications including Bit Manipulation, Crypto (scalar) and Vectors.

The latest version is available via GitHub here.

The free enhanced **riscvOVPsimPlus**, including many more features including full configurable instruction trace, GDB/Eclipse debug, and memory configuration options, plus the RISC-V Vector and other test suites, is now available on the <u>OVPworld website here</u>.



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