



**EVIDENCE<sup>®</sup>**  
EMBEDDING TECHNOLOGY

# ERIKA Enterprise: Operating system and open-source components for automotive systems

**Paolo Gai,**

Marco Di Natale,

Giordano De Maria,

Giuseppe Finazzi,

Marco Sacchi,

Evidence Srl,

Evidence Srl,

Cobra AT,

Freescale,

Freescale,

[pj@evidence.eu.com](mailto:pj@evidence.eu.com)

[marco@sssup.it](mailto:marco@sssup.it)

[g.demaria@cobra-at.com](mailto:g.demaria@cobra-at.com)

[giuseppe.finazzi@freescale.com](mailto:giuseppe.finazzi@freescale.com)

[marco.sacchi@freescale.com](mailto:marco.sacchi@freescale.com)

# agenda

- (brief) Evidence company profile
- AUTOSAR and OSEK/VDX
- make, buy, or...
- open platforms and ERIKA Enterprise
- first experiences in automotive systems with Cobra-AT and Freescale

# Evidence

company profile

# Evidence profile

- Founded in 2002, spin-off company of the **Scuola Superiore S.Anna**
- 15 people
- **Mission:** design and development of **software for small electronic devices**
- Evidence won the first prize at Start Cup Pisa 2005
- selected by *“Corriere della Sera”* as one of the most innovative Italian young entrepreneurs



# (some) customers and partners

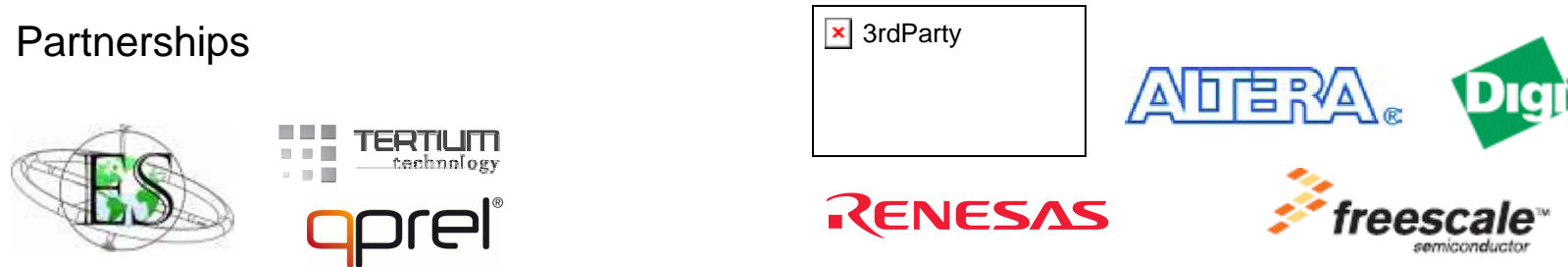
OSEK,  
microcontrollers,  
schedulability analysis



Linux,  
SW devel.



Partnerships



# Products

## Real-Time Operating Systems:

- ERIKA Enterprise – Tiny RTOS
- Embedded Linux – High performance OS

## Development tools:

- RT-Druid – For ERIKA Enterprise
- Evelin SDK – For Embedded Linux

## Hardware:

- Flex – Electronic board with ERIKA

# **ERIKA Enterprise: Operating system and open-source components for automotive systems**



# the future is AUTOSAR...



- the AUTOSAR initiative started to increase portability and reuse of functional components
- AUTOSAR is based on a system-level view integrating software components allocated on hardware of choice of the car manufacturer
- from **federated architectures**
  - ECUs connected to a network
- to **integrated architectures**
  - hardware hosting cooperating software components

# AUTOSAR goals

- In the long term
  - the hardware designs will be optimized
  - less ECUs
  - more competition among providers of
    - subsystem producers
    - base software
    - application software
- objective:

**cost reduction**

## the present... is OSEK/VDX!

- most developers currently use OSEK/VDX
  - OSEK/VDX is a subset of AUTOSAR OS
  - AUTOSAR is in any case expected to come for future projects
- smaller projects do not use operating systems

Why?

**Make, Buy, or...**

**nothing!**

# AUTOSAR and COTS software

- AUTOSAR is enabling software to become a **commodity**
- a set of common components is being developed and proposed to subsystem makers

but

- what currently happens is that, if not required by the customer, developers sometimes **do not buy** components to avoid royalties and license costs
  - RTOS
  - diagnostic protocols (KWP2000, ...)

# Make, Buy, or...

## share!

we believe that  
there is space for  
openly sharing  
software components  
not in the core business

# Linux and Android



- This is already happening in the automotive industry
- Android is being considered as an alternative to proprietary solutions for infotainment systems
- This is not happening (yet) on smaller microcontroller systems
- Why?

# Open Platforms

- what we need is an open platform
  - supporting a wide range of microcontrollers
  - implementing a set of basic services
  - enabling companies to **share components** which are not part of the core business



# the first building block

- the first building block is an OSEK/VDX RTOS
- Many projects started to provide an Open OSEK/VDX operating system
  - Arctic Core
  - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OSEK>
- some of them are
  - at the early stage
  - available for i386 only
  - not commercially supported by a company

# ERIKA Enterprise

- we propose



- an open-source RTOS
- implementing the OSEK/VDX standard
- Made in Italy 
- as the base platform to build a set of open components for automotive systems

# OSEK/VDX API support

ERIKA Enterprise supports the OSEK/VDX API

Complete implementation of the following components:

- OSEK OS (BCC1, BCC2, ECC1, ECC2)
- OSEK OIL
- OSEK ORTI using Lauterbach Trace32
- Additional conformance classes (FP, EDF, FRSH)

Prototype implementation of:

- OSEK COM (CCCA, CCCB, CCC0, CCC1),  
no OIL support

# microcontrollers

currently available for

- Microchip dsPIC
- Altera NIOS II (with multi-core support!)
- Atmel AVR

existing support (not yet mainline)

- ARM7TDMI (Samsung KS32C50100, Triscend A7, ST Janus, ST STA2051, UniBO MPARM)
- Tricore 1
- PPC 5xx (PPC 566EVB)
- Hitachi H8 (RCX/Lego Mindstorms)
- C167/ST10 (Ertec EVA 167, tiny/large mem. model)

under development

- Microchip PIC32 (done by SSSA)
- Tricore2 (done in the PREDATOR FP7 Project)

# Microchip dsPIC, BCC1

OSEK BCC1, monostack, 2 Tasks, 1 resource

Code footprint (24-bit instructions): 379 (1137 bytes)

- ISR2 stub (for each IRQ) 27
- IRQ end 36
- kernel global functions 99
- ActivateTask 57
- GetResource 12
- ReleaseResource 41
- StartOS 26
- Task end (TerminateTask) 81

Data footprint (bytes)

- ROM 18
- RAM 52

# RT-Druid

## RT DRUID

- Development environment for Erika Enterprise
- Compliance with OSEK OIL
- Schedulability analysis plugin
- Integration with AUTOSAR XML
- Template applications support
- **Easy development:**
  - Multicore support: multicore issues automatically handled
  - Support for hardware debugging 
  - Based on the well-known Eclipse IDE 

# licensing

ERIKA Enterprise is available under the  
GPL + Linking Exception

- [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GPL\\_linking\\_exception](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/GPL_linking_exception)
- possibility to statically link a proprietary application with the source code

RT-Druid IDE is currently with a demo license, will be released soon under EPL

# community

<http://erika.tuxfamily.org>

- SVN repository, Wiki, Forum
- More than 15 universities using ERIKA
- Application notes
- available libraries
  - console
  - 802.15.4 (with beaconed mode / GTS support)
  - Scilab/Scicos
  - Motor control
  - TCP/IP, and others



# INTERESTED Project



<http://www.interested-ip.eu/>

- RT-Druid is used in the INTERESTED FP7 by Magneti Marelli, AbsInt, CEA
- Used for:
  - Specification of the mapping of the various functionalities
  - Schedulability analysis
  - Sensitivity analysis
  - Integration into the AUTOSAR build flow

# ERIKA Enterprise on Freescale S12



- ERIKA Enterprise has been selected by Cobra-AT
- porting on Freescale S12XS
- released open-source as part of ERIKA Enterprise

# Contacts

<http://erika.tuxfamily.org>

Evidence Srl

Via Carducci 64/A

56010 S.Giuliano Terme

Pisa - Italy

Web: <http://www.evidence.eu.com>

E-mail: [info@evidence.eu.com](mailto:info@evidence.eu.com)

Phone: +39 050 99 11 224