Housewarming, World Cup and More

On the day that the FIFA World Cup began, dSPACE’s new building in Paderborn was officially opened. Residents of the neighborhood, dSPACE staff, and representatives from the construction companies and city council partied together – and also celebrated Germany’s successful World Cup start. A second building is already planned at the new location.

Late in the afternoon on June 9, the party began with inaugural speeches from company founder and President Dr. Herbert Hanselmann, Mayor of Paderborn Heinz Paus, and architect Martin Wäschle. They paid particular tribute to dSPACE’s successful development, culminating in the new building. With plans for a further building on the new site already underway, Dr. Hanselmann described what the Giefersstrasse location will look like in future. dSPACE’s growth strategy will be a major part in this, with 70 new jobs planned for 2006 alone. The new building is right next to a residential area, so dSPACE invited the residents to join the party and get to know their new neighbors.

Kick-Off
With the kick-off to the FIFA World Cup taking place on the same day, large LED monitors and a projection screen were set up around the party tent. So the around 600
people at the party were able to watch the football match between Germany and Costa Rica live. Fans in football shirts and bearing flags, whistles, etc. provided stadium atmosphere. The German team’s advances into the penalty area were accompanied by drumming, hooting, and frenzied applause. The fact that Germany won the game gave the party added zing. After that of course, there was plenty of music and good food.

Technical Details of the New Building
Concrete core temperature regulation – Water pipe coils set in the concrete ceiling ensure draught-free heating and cooling.

Air conditioning – An air conditioner regulates the temperature and fresh air supply in windowless zones such as the wide hallways with their integrated meeting facilities.

Cavity floor – A double floor construction in hallways and offices accommodates cables and pipes.

Electrostatic discharge floor – Special flooring in the production zones
Transformer – The building has its own integrated transformer station (630 kVA) for the electricity supply.

The new building is 5240 square meters in size and accommodates mainly departments that need a lot of space, such as production, logistics, and simulator construction, plus customer engineering, sales, and some administrative units.