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Dear Sirs,

Sub: Press Release regarding "Persistent Systems Hosts International Workshop on Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)"

We wish to inform you that the Company has made Press Release dated October 19, 2011 titled "Persistent Systems Hosts International Workshop on Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)".

The copy of the Press Release is attached for your records.

Please acknowledge the receipt.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
For **Persistent Systems Limited**



Rajesh Ghonasgi
Chief Financial Officer

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Persistent Systems Hosts International Workshop on Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)

Pune, India – October 19, 2011: Persistent Systems (BSE & NSE: PERSISTENT), a leader in outsourced software product development services, today announced the start of a unique four day International workshop (Oct. 19th - Oct. 22nd 2011) in Pune on Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) data analysis, hosted jointly with Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Information Technology and Biotechnology (RGIITBT) Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune.

The NGS workshop aims to familiarize participants with characteristics of data generated by different platforms and its workflows in the varied areas of NGS technology applications. This will help researchers and students develop competency to analyze and compare genomes from various, plants, animals, insects and microbes. The four day event will include the participation of eminent international scientists, academicians and industry experts visiting from USA, Singapore and India.

On this occasion, Dr. Anand Deshpande, Chairman and Managing Director, Persistent Systems said, "We are delighted to host this one of its kind next generation sequencing workshop in India. Next generation sequencing is transforming the field of genomics and has given huge impetus to the field of personalized genomics and personalized medicine. Through this workshop we hope to bring together industry experts, students and researchers on a common platform to familiarize and understand the workflows in NGS applications."

Dr. Srinivas Aluru, Professor, Iowa State University, USA, one of the key speakers at the workshop said, "I am delighted to be a part of this workshop. Persistent Systems has created a broad program spanning an impressive array of NGS technologies, and have arranged for a terrific lineup of speakers. The opportunity to listen to and interact with so many thought leaders at one venue is highly beneficial for anyone interested in this area."

The NGS workshop is being driven by Dr. Abhay Jere, Associate Vice President – Life Sciences domain, Persistent Systems and Dr. Uday Deshpande, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Information Technology and Bio Technology. The workshop includes a series of talks on genome assembly, ChIP-Seq analysis, RNA-Seq analysis and genetic variation analysis. The sessions will be conducted in the premises of Persistent Systems, Dewang Mehta Auditorium, Pune and Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Information Technology and Bio Technology (RGIITBT) College, Satara Road, Katraj-Dhankawadi, Pune.

The life sciences and healthcare business unit at Persistent Systems has over a decade long experience, having effectively combined science and information technology to provide solutions to industry leaders in biotechnology, premier cancer research institutes, medical centers and pharmaceutical companies.



About Persistent Systems:

Established in 1990, Persistent Systems (BSE & NSE: PERSISTENT) is a global company specializing in software product development services. For more than two decades, Persistent has been an innovation partner for the world's largest technology brands, leading enterprises and pioneering start-ups. With a global team of 6,600+ employees, Persistent has 300+ customers spread across North America, Europe, and Asia. Today, Persistent focuses on developing best-in-class solutions in four key next-generation technology areas: Cloud Computing, Mobility, BI & Analytics, Collaboration across technology, telecommunications, life sciences, consumer packaged goods, banking & financial services and healthcare verticals. For more information, please visit: www.persistentsys.com.

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