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**Renishaw launches inaugural North American Additive Manufacturing Solutions Centre**

Global engineering and technologies company, [Renishaw](http://www.renishaw.com/en/renishaw-enhancing-efficiency-in-manufacturing-and-healthcare--1030), continues to develop its network of Additive Manufacturing Solutions Centres with its first North American Centre in Kitchener, Canada. This facility provides a secure development environment where customers can gain knowledge and confidence in using additive manufacturing technologies. The Solutions Centre is staffed with skilled applications engineers and allows customers access to additive manufacturing technology and expertise at a predictable, manageable cost.

Additive manufacturing is a technology set to impact the manufacturing sector in industries as varied as aerospace and automotive, to dental restoration and patient specific cranio-maxillofacial implants for reconstructive surgery.

The Additive Manufacturing Solutions Centre was officially inaugurated on November 1st, 2016. The new facility complements the established advanced manufacturing sector in Canada and will aid the acceleration of the development of industrial additive manufacturing processes, particularly in the medical and aerospace industries. The Centre contains a range of Renishaw technology including the company’s AM250 and AM400 additive manufacturing systems, as well as metrology and finishing equipment.

“The new Solutions Centre will provide customers with a cost-effective, rapid learning environment where companies can build confidence and knowledge in the applications of additive manufacturing,” explained Marc Saunders, Director of Global Solutions Centres at Renishaw. “The Canadian Centre forms a vital node in the global network.”

“The Solutions Centre contains everything a customer needs to create a functional part and verify that it is correct,” said Mark Kirby, Additive Manufacturing Business Manager for Renishaw Canada. “Renishaw’s knowledge of metrology, machining and finishing means that for a predictable cost the customer can move along the additive manufacturing learning curve with minimal risk.”

“We have already engaged with a number of end-users from the local community including the medical and aerospace sectors,” continued Kirby. “The experienced team of applications engineers provide customers with expertise across a range of functional manufacturing sectors.”

The new Canadian Solutions Centre is the latest step in Renishaw’s investment into making additive manufacturing a mainstream manufacturing technology used in series production in a range of industries including aerospace, medical, automotive, oil and gas and consumer products. Renishaw Canada has offices in Toronto, Kitchener and Ottawa.

The Centre complements Renishaw’s existing network of Solutions Centres in the UK, Germany, India and China, with a Centre also being hosted at Renishaw Inc’s new facility in Illinois, USA.

For more information, visit [www.renishaw.com/solutioncentres](http://www.renishaw.com/solutioncentres)

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**About Renishaw plc**

UK-based Renishaw is a world leading engineering technologies company, supplying products used for applications as diverse as jet engine and wind turbine manufacture, through to dentistry and brain surgery. It has over 4,000 employees located in the 35 countries where it has wholly owned subsidiary operations.

For the year ended June 2016 Renishaw recorded sales of £436.6 million of which 95% was due to exports. The company’s largest markets are China, the USA, Japan and Germany.

Throughout its history Renishaw has made a significant commitment to research and development, with historically between 14 and 18% of annual sales invested in R&D and engineering. The majority of this R&D and manufacturing of the company’s products is carried out in the UK.

The Company’s success has been recognised with numerous international awards, including eighteen Queen’s Awards recognising achievements in technology, export and innovation.

Renishaw is listed on the London Stock Exchange (LSE:RSW) where it is a constituent of the FTSE 250, with a current valuation of around £1.8 billion.

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