

**Imagine Optic™ announces new products for consumer electronics manufacturers that will play an important role in reducing prices for shoppers**

*Imagine Optic, Europe's leading manufacturer of wavefront metrology and adaptive optics technology, announces the release of three new systems designed to meet the needs of consumer electronics manufacturers that will help reduce costs and increase competitiveness.*

Orsay, France and Boston, MA, January 18, 2007 – Imagine Optic is proud to announce the release of three new groundbreaking products based on its industry standard setting HASO wavefront sensor and software technologies that will play a key role in helping its customers keep their competitive edge by reducing production costs.

e-Xplorer™ is designed to help reduce the cost of producing semiconductor wafers. The device's nanometric precision allows customers to characterize planeness of the wafer's surface before engraving. This leads to exceptional gains in productivity by eliminating defective wafers early on in the production line and may eventually lead to lower prices passed on to the consumer.

SLSys™ enables a new degree of quality control in the production of liquid lenses and small optics like those found in many consumer goods like mobile telephones and digital cameras as well as Blu-Ray™ and HD DVD™ drives. By improving quality control of these precision optical components, production costs are reduced and end-user satisfaction is increased. Once more, Imagine Optic is contributing to bringing down the cost of producing consumer electronics that may ultimately lead to lower prices for shoppers.

The Shack-Hartmann – Long Trace Profiler™ (SH-LTP™) is designed to meet the growing need for ultra-precise metrology for synchrotrons, nanolithography in the semiconductor sector and certain aerospace applications. When combined with the company's StitchWave™ software, the device is capable of measuring exceptionally large surface that were, until now, out of reach to wavefront precision measurement. The device easily overcomes the noise, inherent to measuring using a translation stage, which corrupts measurements to provide customers with extraordinarily accurate measurements, even when measuring large or aspheric components.

"The evolution of Imagine Optic's products into domains that touch everyday consumers will play an important part in the company's growth as well as in making new technologies available to a wider market by reducing the cost of producing them" said Mark Zacharria, communications consultant for Imagine Optic and cofounder of Elucido Partners, a Paris based consulting firm that specializes in marketing and communications for high-technology companies, notably in the optics sector.

Imagine Optic will continue to innovate thanks to its extensive research and development program conducted both internally and with a wide array of industry leading companies and academic institutions.

Imagine Optic will be present at Photonics West, booth 1601, at the San José Convention Center from January 20 through 25, 2007. For more information, please visit the Imagine Optic website [www.imagine-optic.com](http://www.imagine-optic.com).

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### About Imagine Optic

Founded in Orsay, France in 1996, the company is Europe's leading provider of Shack-Hartmann wavefront sensing technologies for adaptive optics, quality control and optical measurement. In 2005, Imagine Optic introduced the world's first X-EUV wavefront sensor to respond to customer needs in this synchrotron metrology and nanolithography. It continues to be a leader in research and development with projects currently underway in the domains of free space communications and adaptive optics for high-power lasers.

Imagine Optics' clients are among the world's top companies and include Sony, Nikon, Thomson, Zeiss, NASA, the U.S. Air Force, Essilor, Aliena (Alcatel Space), EADS, the European Southern Observatory, the European Space Agency (ESA), amongst others. In 2006, Imagine Optic realized a turnover of €2,4M and currently employs 23 highly qualified professionals in a variety of domains. If you would like to learn more about us, please visit [www.imagine-optic.com](http://www.imagine-optic.com).

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