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FARO Appoints Shrewsbury's Yuri Malinkevich as Director of Engineering

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LAKE MARY, Fla., July 8, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- FARO Technologies, Inc., the world leader in portable computer-aided measurement hardware and software, announced that it has named Yuri Malinkevich as its Director of Engineering for 3D Imaging. With the Company's recent acquisition of global technology rights from Wilmington's Dimensional Photonics International, Inc. (DPI), this position will be based in the Boston area.

Most recently, Malinkevich served as a Consultant and then Director of Electro-Optical Engineering for Electro-Optical Sciences, Inc. He led the R&D of multi-spectral LED-based medical devices and also process implementation of ISO, 510K, FCC, and UL industry and quality standards.

Malinkevich graduated from Russia's St. Petersburg State University with a Master of Science degree in Quantum Optics, Electronics, and Radio-Physics. He then achieved a Ph.D. in Quantum Optics & Electronics from The Russian Academy of Science before immigrating to the U.S.

From 1992 until 1999, Malinkevich served as a Development Engineer, Scientist, and Project Manager for Corning Precision Lens (now 3M) during which time he also earned an M.B.A. from Xavier University of Ohio. He continued his career in new and emerging technologies in gradually escalating roles at different Boston-area firms, including the Quantum Corporation (Shrewsbury), Thermo Electron Corporation (Franklin) and Flextronics Corporation (Boston) where he served as the Director of Testing, Metrology, and Quality until joining Electro-Optical Sciences in 2007.

Throughout, Malinkevich has played key roles in directing research, forming business strategies for developing new technology, products and markets, as well as improving quality and testing systems.

"Yuri's skill set is a perfect match for how we want to grow the Company," FARO Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer Jim West said. "His extensive knowledge and experience in optical R&D will serve as an important part of our success as we continue to expand and perfect our product line."

About FARO

With approximately 17,000 installations and 7,600 customers globally, FARO Technologies, Inc. designs, develops, and markets portable, computerized measurement devices and software used to create digital models -- or to perform evaluations against an existing model -- for anything requiring highly detailed 3-D measurements, including part and assembly inspection, factory planning and asset documentation, as well as specialized applications ranging from surveying, recreating accident sites and crime scenes to digitally preserving historical sites.

FARO's technology increases productivity by dramatically reducing the amount of on-site measuring time, and the various industry-specific software packages enable users to process and present their results quickly and more effectively.

Principal products include the world's best-selling portable measurement arm -- the FaroArm; the world's best-selling laser tracker -- the FARO Laser Tracker X and Xi; the FARO Laser ScanArm; FARO Photon Laser Scanners; the FARO Gage, Gage-PLUS and PowerGAGE; and the CAM2 Q family of advanced CAD-based measurement and reporting software. FARO Technologies is ISO-9001 certified and ISO-17025 laboratory registered. Please visit www.faro.com for more information.

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