#### **Press Release**

Cheikh Anta Diop University, TELECOM Lille 1 and TioLive LLC officially launch the "One Student One ERP" program (OSOE) to reinvent Management Science through fair, transparent and mutual collaboration between academic research, higher education and industry.

**Dover (USA), Dakar (Sénégal), Paris (France), Villeneuve d'Ascq (France) - February 24, 2010 -** The "One Student One ERP" (<u>OSOE</u>) program aims at providing each student from partner universities, engineering schools, training centers and research institutions with a dedicated ERP environment. This environment can be used to support undergraduate lectures in Management Science or to implement innovative management processes based on the latest research. The OSOE environment is based on <u>ERP5</u>, the first open source ERP to implement the concept of Universal Business Model (UBM) described in recent IEEE scientific publication [1]. In addition to ERP5, each student is provided with lifelong email account, secure chat and a dedicate VOIP phone.

Sabine Leroy, Assistant Professor at the IT Department of <u>Telecom Lille1</u> says: "Thanks to TioLive Cloud Computing platform we are able to teach the fundamentals of ERP configuration to our students. During the lecture, each student is requested to configure an ERP for a small company and must face the reality of small businesses. Our students now understand the technological, social and organizational challenges related to software implementation."

Jean-Paul Smets, <u>TioLive LLC</u> CEO adds: "The <u>OSOE</u> program demonstrates the ease and reliability of the TioLive Cloud Computing platform. TioLive relies exclusively on Free Software technologies such as ERP5. Thanks to OSOE, universities can now benefit in 5 minutes from a modern education environment based on the most advanced ERP, either operated by TioLive LLC or self hosted. Moreover, OSOE provides a 500 page sample learning material published under Creative Commons license."

Souleymane Sané, IT Manager of the Management Science Department at<u>Cheikh Anta Diop University</u> (Dakar) says: "Thanks to TioLive, we have been able to provide our 300 students with a complete ERP5 environment compatible with SYSCOHADA international accounting standards. TioLive was installed on the servers of the university."

Jacques Honoré, TioLive Community Manager, concludes: "<u>OSOE</u> is based on <u>Open Source</u>, <u>Open Data</u>, <u>Open Knowledge</u> and <u>TIO Libre</u> ideals. We welcome all collaborations from Universities and Research Institutions which can contribute to the progress and Free dissemination of Management Science. We also welcome small and medium businesses (SMB) to join the OSOE program by providing real world business cases. Each participating SMB will get a Free ERP configuration in exchange. And obviously, we welcome contributions in the form of innovative open source software for the TioLive platform."

#### References

[1] ERP5: a next-generation, open-source ERP architecture. Smets-Solanes, J.-P. Atem de Carvalho, R. Appears in: IT Professional. Publication Date: July-Aug. 2003. Volume: 5 Issue: 4. On page(s): 38 - 44. ISSN: 1520-9202.

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### About OSOE

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### **About TioLive**

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Computing technologies and Free Software Ideals. Born on the Web 2.0, TioLive provides a consistent range of business applications which are delivered through a straightforward Software as a Service (SaaS) approach. TioLive integrates seamlessly an ERP, a CRM, a CMS, business email, Voice over IP (VOIP) telephony and business chat. TioLive is free of charge for any number of users. TioLive comes with no advertising and no time restrictions. TioLive follows strictly the principles of TIO Libre ( www.tiolibre.com) and intends to provide the world with the highest standards in terms of privacy and trade secret protection.

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# About Cheikh Anta Diop University (UCAD)

Founded in 1957, Cheikh Anta Diop University of Dakar (UCAD) hosts 6 departments and over 20 schools and institutes. With an enrollment of over 60,000, UCAD is ranked 1st French Speaking University in Africa by Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities. UCAD hosts a number of foreign study abroad programs, including ones administered by <u>Wells College</u> and the <u>University of Oregon</u> in the United Sates, and numerous European universities.

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