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To stay constantly updated, visit our website where we will post product news, special offers and news about ELEARNINGFORCE activities around the world.

I hope you enjoy reading our newsletter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes from the ELEARNINGFORCE team,

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Conferences 2011

This year ELEARNINGFORCE has focused on attending some of the largest events. We were in London in January for the yearly BETT show and then we have organised participation in two US conferences. One has just recently ended. Read more about these below.

ISTE

ELEARNINGFORCE exhibited together with our US partner, Immersion, SharePoint LMS at the annual ISTE conference which this year was in Philadelphia. The conference took place at the Pennsylvania Convention Centre from 27th June to 29th June 2011.

The International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) is the premier membership association for educators and education leaders engaged in advancing excellence in learning and teaching through innovative and effective uses of technology. This year the conference and expo is dedicated to the theme of "Unlocking Potential."

Educause

ELEARNINGFORCE has also planned to attend another conference in US - Educause. Educause is directed at higher education and SharePoint LMS will again this year be showcased at the yearly event. The conference takes place in Pennsylvania Convention Centre from 18th October to 21st October 2011. We will exhibit again with Immersion at this event. [Click here to read more about Educause and register for the event](#).



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SharePoint LMS presentation and demonstration

Within the last couple of months ELEARNINGFORCE has developed two new video presentations: an overall presentation of the possibilities and advantages with SharePoint LMS and a demo of how to use SharePoint LMS and SharePoint REM (Registration and Enrolment Module). Click on the links below to watch the videos:

- [SharePoint LMS presentation](#)
- [SharePoint LMS and REM](#)

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Development News

Development in ELEARNINGFORCE is moving fast. In this chapter you can read more about new features and our next version of SharePoint LMS.

Data Conversion Tool - SharePoint LMS version 2.1 to 3.0

ELEARNINGFORCE has developed a conversion tool for SharePoint LMS version 3.0. The tool will ensure that all your data within your existing environment are safely moved from SharePoint 2007 to SharePoint 2010 - SharePoint LMS 2.1 to 3.0. If you are using SharePoint LMS version 2.1, please [contact](#) us to learn more about data conversion and how ELEARNINGFORCE can help you.

Lync Server Integration

Today SharePoint LMS includes a full integration to Microsoft's Office Communication Server that allows teachers and learners to interact through instant messaging and live meetings directly from their SharePoint LMS course page. Now ELEARNINGFORCE releases SharePoint LMS 3.0 integration to the latest Microsoft communication solution - Lync Server. [Click here to learn more about the great Lync features now available within SharePoint LMS.](#)



Learning Module

We have recently developed a new Web Part for both SharePoint LMS 2.1 and 3.0 called Learning Module.

The Web part is designed to display all attempts available for an activity for the authorized learner. If the user has any attempts available, he can click the link and be redirected from the Web part straight to the attempt page.

The learner can see the attempt status of all existing Learning Paths, SCORMs, LRM and Quizzes that are assigned to this learner within the course.

The available statuses are *New Attempt/Continue/Out of attempts*

Learning Module

Group work	Continue
Short Course	Out of attempts
Introduction quiz	Continue
Midterm quiz	Continue
test	New Attempt

Next SharePoint LMS version

ELEARNINGFORCE is currently working on the next SharePoint LMS version for both SharePoint 2007 and SharePoint 2010.

SharePoint LMS version 2.4 is planned for September 2011 and will be the last version we develop for SharePoint 2007. Future development will be entirely on SharePoint 2010 (or later). SharePoint LMS version 3.1 is planned for November 2011 and both versions will consist of the following new features:

- Course Content Repository
- Course Flows
- Course Publishing Calendar
- New Attendance Tool features
- New Assignment features
- New Quiz features
- New Grade Book features

- Offline Player & Synchronization
- New Learning Path features (only for version 3.1)
- Security changes
- Permission level management for the individual tools (only for version 3.1)
- And much more...

More details about the next version and the features will follow in a separate newsletter.

New Registration and Enrolment Module (SharePoint REM)

Early Autumn EARNINGFORCE will release a new version of SharePoint REM for SharePoint 2007 and 2010 (REM 2.1 and REM 3.1). The new SharePoint REM will consist of the following new features:

- *Classroom feature*
It will now be possible to create both online and offline classrooms. Online courses correspond to today's SharePoint LMS courses and Offline courses are courses that will not take place in a virtual environment hence it will not be associated with SharePoint LMS.
- *Line Management feature*
Line management is approval flow of enrolment requests. Learners' enrolments should be approved/rejected by the line manager (if a manager exists) before the learners can get access to a course.

All details about the new SharePoint REM will be announced on our website when the module is released.

Product updates

In September EARNINGFORCE will release both SharePoint e-Portfolio and Syllabus Management Tool for SharePoint 2010. EARNINGFORCE has also updated our suite of Rapid Authoring Tools and the three tools WordForce, QuizForce and PowerPointForce will soon be available for Office 2010 and Windows 7. Release is September 2011.

Release of the product updates will be announced when available on our website.

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EARNINGFORCE at Microsoft Conferences in Mexico, Ireland, Iceland and Slovenia

Over the last couple of months EARNINGFORCE has participated in a series of Microsoft events around the world. Read more in this chapter about our Microsoft activities.

EARNINGFORCE and Microsoft in Mexico!

In February 2011 EARNINGFORCE were invited to Keynote at a Tech day for e-learning hosted by Microsoft Mexico, in Mexico City. The event was well attended with customers from across the country. You can find the [PowerPoint Presentation in Spanish here](#).

Microsoft and County Meath VEC - 21st Century Innovation Day - Ratoath College, Jamestown, Ireland

County Meath VEC is a local statutory education and training authority in Ireland. They recently hosted a 21st Century Innovation Day with Microsoft in Ratoath College, Jamestown. The event was to showcase the authority's plans for modernising its education delivery. Kelvyn Hicks, EARNINGFORCE's Sales & Marketing Director spoke about SharePoint LMS alongside Mary Cullinane - Microsoft's Worldwide Head of Education Strategy and Microsoft Ireland's Country Manager, Paul Rellis.

Microsoft Icelandic School Conference

In March EARNINGFORCE were invited to speak at the Microsoft School Conference in Iceland. The event was attended by many customers from universities, colleges, schools and private sector organisations primarily from the Capital Reykjavik. We are happy to announce that as a result of this visit we now have a new Icelandic partner. Skyr is also a Microsoft Gold Partner based in Reykjavik.

EARNINGFORCE and Microsoft in Slovenia!

Recently EARNINGFORCE was invited to Keynote at NT Conference 2011 for e-learning and Microsoft technology hosted by Microsoft Slovenia, in Piran City, Slovenia. The event was well attended with representatives from the educational system in Slovenia reaching from Deans over Headmaster to Ministry representatives.

Following EARNINGFORCE's Keynote speech on the first day, SharePoint LMS was presented to



smaller Groups at the conference by Lars Thejl, Business Manager Europe.

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Lars joins ELEARINGFORCE



ELEARINGFORCE is pleased to announce that Lars Thejl has joined our organisation. Lars has taken the role as Business Manager for the European Market; he is based at our head office in Denmark and is responsible for partner recruitment/management and sales in Europe. Lars joined ELEARINGFORCE in April 2011 and brings to his position over 20 years of technology, information and general management experience. [Click here to read Lars' full profile](#)

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New low cost way of experiencing SharePoint LMS is now available

ELEARINGFORCE now offers a low cost way to trial SharePoint LMS, plus our Registration and Enrolment Module (REM) and SharePoint e-Portfolio. Our Proof-of-Concept (POC) offer makes it possible for you to test SharePoint LMS within your own SharePoint environment for a low cost.

The POC includes:

- SharePoint LMS plus Registration and Enrolment Module (REM) and SharePoint e-Portfolio, licensed for up to 200 users for 3 months
- Remote Installation and set up
- Support and Maintenance
- Training for end users and administrators

Cost only 2,995 EUR

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