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# **Institute for Process Excellence and Aras to Power Sustainable Digital Transformation Strategies**

DENVER, Colorado, 10 April 2019 – The Institute for Process Excellence (IpX) announced a non-exclusive partnership today with [Aras](#), known as a resilient platform provider for digital industrial applications, to empower companies with tools and methods to achieve sustainable digital transformation strategies.

The IpX True North Service Model delivers dynamic and rapid performance improvement to companies facing significant financial, operational and customer satisfaction challenges. With industry leading training and a proven set of global best practices, IpX guides and enables organizations to benchmark, assess, and transform the business challenges that impact them most.

Aras delivers an open, low-code platform for engineering, manufacturing and maintenance of complex, connected products. The flexible architecture provides teams across the extended enterprise with access to data, insights, and intelligence from the complete product lifecycle.

Together, Aras and IpX aim to transform businesses by creating a foundation of education, services, and technology that companies can rely on to set the pace for innovation. By uniting Aras' customizable and continuously upgradable platform with IpX's industry leading training and comprehensive services, customers can cultivate sustainable digital transformation strategies. Beginning in May 2019, IpX will host a series of their industry-leading CM2 courses at Aras' headquarters in Andover, MA. CM2 is the global enterprise standard for enterprise product lifecycle change and configuration management. To find more information about training, click [here](#).

“IpX has worked and partnered with digital solution providers for the past twenty years. We are excited about this collaboration with ARAS and what it brings to our joint clients. In order to

achieve sustainable and scalable transformation, businesses must invest in functional workforce development in conjunction with reshaping legacy business processes and systems,” said Joseph Anderson, President of IpX. “Proactive and continual improvement requires the organization to address silo competency mindsets, antiquated capabilities and global workforce dynamics.”

“Collaborating with IpX and providing the Aras community insight into IpX’s educational sector and unique engagement model will enhance the knowledge, skills, and behavior required to effectively leverage the Aras Platform and create tangible enterprise change,” said Peter Schroer, Founder and CEO of Aras. “As this partnership matures, respective customers will continuously have the support of new services, products, and training opportunities to advance their Digital Transformation initiatives.”

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, IpX President, Joseph Anderson, will join Aras CEO, Peter Schroer, for an onstage Fireside Chat at [ACE 2019](#). Their conversation will touch on the topics of technology and culture, the future skills gap, and what truly creates sustainable digital transformation.

### **About IpX**

IpX’s education sector is the premier worldwide industrial resource for configuration management, systems engineering, operational excellence, digital transformation and high-performance culture training with courses offered in seven languages. IpX is best known for the creation of the industry changing CM2 certification program initiated in 1986. Today, CM2 is the global industry standard for enterprise configuration and change management.

IpX’s global services sector ensures their clients achieve enterprise excellence through the revolutionary True North Enterprise Calibration™ maturity and service model with business engagement experts that provide needed enthusiasm for change by infusing the mission throughout the enterprise. IpX is the leader in organizational strategies that effectively integrate the people, processes, systems, and data of the organization.

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### **About Aras**

Aras enables the world’s leading manufacturers of complex, connected products to transform their product lifecycle processes and gain a competitive edge. Aras’ open, flexible, scalable, and upgradable platform and applications connect users in all disciplines and functions to critical product information and processes across the extended enterprise. Aras customers include Airbus, BAE Systems, GE, GM, Hitachi, Honda, Kawasaki Heavy Industries, and Microsoft. Visit <http://www.aras.com> and follow us on Twitter @aras\_plm and LinkedIn.