



Symbol Get Quote Keyword Search

Subscribe to Fortune Free Trial Magazine Customer Service

Home Business News Markets Personal Finance Real Estate Technology Small Business Luxury Fortune

My Portfolio CNN.com

TRADING CENTER



Distinguished Industry Veteran Irene Qualters to Head Software Strategy at SGI

New Executive to Oversee Efforts to Develop and Productize SGI Industrial Strength Linux Environment



January 23, 2008: 01:45 PM EST

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Jan. 23 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- SGI today named Irene Qualters the company's new senior vice president of software. An industry veteran with a successful track record that spans more than 20 years, Qualters has led software design and development with leading systems, software and end-user organizations.

At SGI, she will be responsible for all software-related activity, including driving the company's efforts to develop and productize the SGI(R) Industrial Strength Linux(R) Environment (ISLE). ISLE is crucial to SGI's strategy to provide a fully integrated compute, storage and visualization environment for high-performance computing (HPC) and enterprise customers.

Qualters is an established technologist and executive who rose through successive levels of leadership positions at Cray Research, where she was eventually named president of the company. She later moved to SGI, serving as senior vice president until leaving SGI in 1998. She then joined the end-user community as a visiting scientist at NASA/Goddard Flight Center.

Following NASA Goddard, Qualters joined Merck & Co. as IT vice president for the pharmaceutical giant's global research labs. There she led the organization that provided IT and application services and support for the worldwide research community at Merck. Most recently, she led software engineering at AGEIA, a company that creates innovative hardware and software that applies breakthrough physics to the games industry.

"SGI is excited to see Irene return to our ranks to head a vital element of our long-term product and technology roadmap," said SGI CEO Robert "Bo" Ewald. "With her broad technical expertise and proven business acumen, Irene is uniquely qualified to help SGI continue to change the world with comprehensive, industry-specific solutions for new generations of users."

Qualters will report direct to Ewald, and will split her time between the company's Sunnyvale headquarters and its engineering center in Eagan, Minn.

"This is an exciting time for SGI, and I'm enthusiastic about the team I'm joining here," said Qualters. "With software taking an increasingly leading role in the SGI strategy, I look forward to the challenge of increasing the value that SGI software delivers to customers, investors and employees."

Qualters holds a master's degree in computer science from the University of Detroit and a bachelor's degree in mathematics and secondary education from Duquesne University.

SGI | Innovation for Results(TM)

SGI is a leader in high-performance computing. SGI delivers a broad range of high-performance server, storage and visualization solutions along with industry-leading professional services and support that enable its customers to overcome the challenges of complex data-intensive workflows and accelerate breakthrough discoveries, innovation and information transformation. SGI helps customers solve significant challenges whether it's enhancing the quality of life through drug research, designing and manufacturing safer and more efficient cars and airplanes, studying global climate change, providing technologies for homeland security and defense, or helping enterprises manage large data. With offices worldwide, the company is headquartered in Sunnyvale, Calif., and can be found on the Web at <http://www.sgi.com>.

Top Stories

- [Countrywide's bad news gets worse](#)
- [Stocks struggle ahead of Fed](#)
- [Home ownership plunges](#)
- [Beware of rising car prices: GM exec](#)
- [Food stamps offer best economic help - study](#)

Sponsored Links

Hot Stock News - OXFD
Mortgage Portfolio Recovery. Profit From Mortgage Meltdown.

Trade Stocks? Try Forex
Many ways to trade only 1 GFT. Try the leaders in Forex Trading today!

Your Free Credit Score
See your updated 2008 credit report and score instantly and online.

Easy-Forex™ Trading 24x7
Trade USD vs. All Major Currencies. Start Trading For As Little As \$100!

[Buy a link here](#)

SPECIAL OFFER:

TRY 2 FREE PREVIEW ISSUES!



Name

Address

City

State/Pr Zip/Po

E-mail

SGI, Altix, the SGI cube and the SGI logo are registered trademarks of SGI in the United States and/or other countries worldwide. Linux is a registered trademark of Linus Torvalds in several countries. All other trademarks mentioned herein are the property of their respective owners.



Outside the U.S. and Canada, [click here](#).

[Continue](#) [Privacy Policy](#)

MEDIA CONTACT
Marla Robinson
marlar@sgi.com
256.773.2371

SGI PR HOTLINE
650.933.7777

SGI PR FACSIMILE
650.933.0714

Sponsored Links

Hot Stock News - OXFD

Mortgage Portfolio Recovery. Profit From Mortgage Meltdown.
www.OxfordFunding.com

Your Free Credit Score

See your updated 2008 credit report and score instantly and online.
www.FreeCreditReport.com

Stock Market Game

The Trading's Virtual. The \$10,000 Cash Prize is Real. Join Free Game.
www.yalicoo.com/Stock_Trading

[Buy a link here](#)

More Markets

- [Stocks struggle ahead of Fed](#)
- [Liberty Media wants IAC's Diller out](#)
- [The problem with 'Wal-Mart stimulus'](#)

The Hot List

- [Rocky market, smart strategies](#)
- [13 ex-Google: Where are they now?](#)
- [Super Bowl ads: A \\$2.7M deal](#)

© 2008 Cable News Network. A Time Warner Company. All Rights Reserved. [Terms](#) under which this service is provided to you. [Privacy Policy](#)

[Home](#)
[Portfolio](#)
[Calculators](#)
[Contact us](#)
[Newsletters](#)
[Podcasts](#)
[RSS](#)
[Mobile](#)
[Press Center](#)
[Site Map](#)
[Advertise with Us](#)
[Magazine](#)
[Customer Service](#)
[Download Fortune Lists](#)
[Reprints](#)
[Career Opportunities](#)
[Special Sections](#)
[Conferences](#)
[Business Leader Council](#)

Live Quotes automatically refresh, but individual equities are delayed 15 minutes for Nasdaq, and 20 minutes for other exchanges. Market indexes are shown in real time, except for the DJIA, which is delayed by two minutes. All times are ET.

* : Time reflects local markets trading time. † - Intraday data delayed 15 minutes for Nasdaq, and 20 minutes for other exchanges. **Disclaimer**
 Copyright © 2008 BigCharts.com Inc. All rights reserved. Please see our [Terms of Use](#). MarketWatch, the MarketWatch logo, and BigCharts are registered trademarks of MarketWatch, Inc. Intraday data delayed 15 minutes for Nasdaq, and 20 minutes for other exchanges. All Times are ET. Intraday data provided by ComStock, an Interactive Data Company and subject to the [Terms of Use](#). Historical, current end-of-day data, and splits data provided by FT Interactive Data. Fundamental data provided by Hemscott. SEC Filings data provided by Edgar Online Inc.. Earnings data provided by FactSet CallStreet, LLC.