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Established in 1992.

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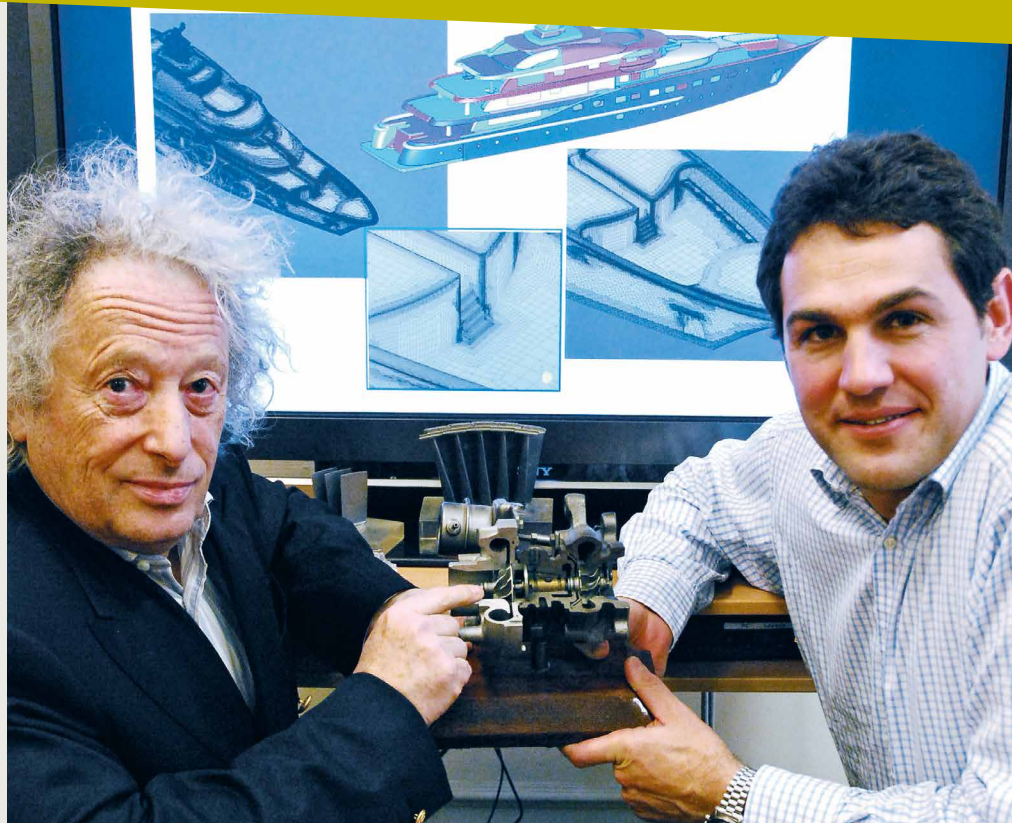
- **1993:** NUMECA International was founded by Professor Charles Hirsch, as a spin-off of the Fluid Mechanic Department of the VUB.
- Since then, NUMECA International emerged as one of the three main worldwide developers and vendors of advanced CFD systems.
- **2000:** NUMECA received the 'Grote Prijs Ondernemen 2000', awarded by the Belgian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
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The Next Generation in CFD Software

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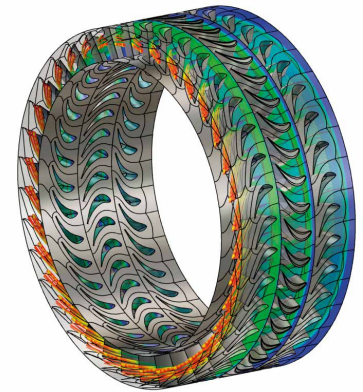
NUMECA International now has branches and agents in Belgium, Germany, Spain, Italy, India, Korea, Japan, China and the US. In 2000, NUMECA received the 'Grote Prijs Ondernemen 2000', awarded by the Belgian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for its contribution to the economic and social development of the Brussels Region.

Today, NUMECA's R&D team is a **world-renowned center of excellence** comprising highly skilled engineers and Doctors in Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics and Fluid Dynamics from more than 20 countries.

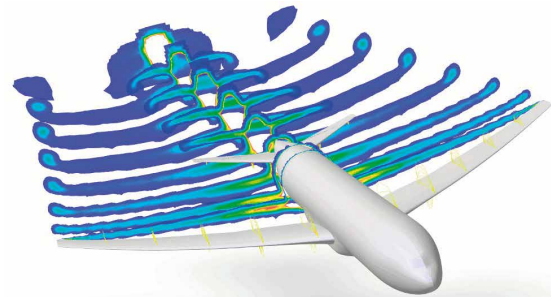
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- Design of components for the engines of the Ariane 4 and 5 rockets
- Design of aircraft engines
- Simulation of wind turbines and hydroplaning in tires
- Visualization of wing tip turbulence of aircraft
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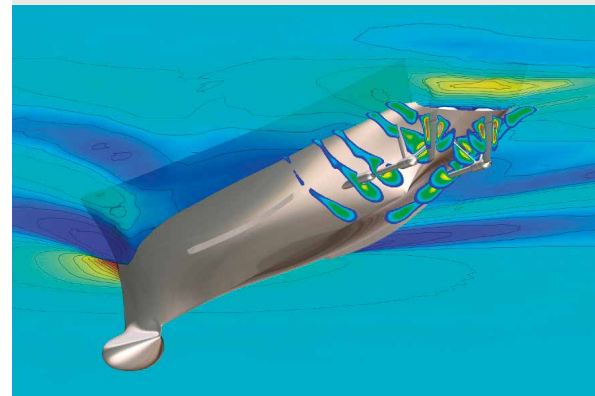
With the establishment of a **global network for scientific collaboration**, NUMECA International has access to the most recent advances and developments in the area of Computational Fluid Dynamics. From the outset, NUMECA has taken part in several EU research projects. Thanks to this collaboration between the academic and scientific world, the company stays abreast of the latest technologies and can offer innovative and creative programs in all sectors of digital flow simulation.



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**Prof. Charles Hirsch,
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