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Announcing the NEW RAZORLEAF Website!

By: Juliann Grant, Vice President of Marketing at Razorleaf

If you haven't had a chance to check out our new website, we invite you to visit us again. We made many changes to our navigation and arranged our information in a new way so things are easier to find.

Here are a couple of things you may notice:

- Check out our mega menu. We have introduced a new navigation item called a mega menu where you can quickly see all the products and services we offer. Just hover over our PLM Services menu item.
- The site loads faster. One of the items weighing down the old site was the rotating slider. We have moved to a simpler graphic that will be updated periodically as new information is available, but this change helps load the site much faster on mobile and desktop.
- More dynamic content on the home page. We will be having a more regular cadence of blog posts and new downloads available to help further educate your understanding of the latest topics such as digital thread, digital twin, and establishing a model-based enterprise.

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DriveWorks 17 Revealed

By: Paul Gimbel, DriveWorks Consultant at Razorleaf

Razorleaf has obtained exclusive information on DriveWorks 17 PreRelease only available to Razorleaf (or anyone else that attended the DriveWorks World conference in Chicago, or select individuals that attended SOLIDWORKS World, and a few others). Well it's time to break the silence and release the 411 on DriveWorks 17.

There were four major areas of focus for DriveWorks 17: Scalability, Deployment, 3D and the Web.

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Dassault Systèmes Offers Hosted DSLS

By: **Michael Craffey**, Solutions Manager, Dassault Systèmes at Razorleaf

Abstract...

Dassault Systèmes recently released a Hosted DSLS option for its customers. This hosting service is free of charge, supports high availability and supports the 3DEXPERIENCE Platform and V5 products. This article outlines the qualifications and use of this new service.

Dassault Systèmes recently released a hosted option for its licensing software known as [DSLS](#) (Dassault Systèmes Licensing Service). This offering is meaningful for two reasons:

- Historically, the requirement for a physical server to provide DSLS services has been much maligned by today's modern IT infrastructure which focuses on virtual servers, not physical.
- The offering is a free service. Dassault is not known for offering services or products for free.

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What is Product Obsolescence?

By: **Derek Neiding**, Engagement Director at Razorleaf

Obsolescence management in [PLM](#) tracks the natural or artificial obsolescence of parts or materials in product. It is critical to know how such elements as mean time between failure (MTBF) or other product data points will

affect the manufacture or maintenance of a product.

For our purposes, obsolescence is defined as when an object, a service, or a practice is no longer wanted or desirable. It could be because of failure (expected or realized), or because of technology advances.

Obsolescence can be identified in three ways:

- **Logistical obsolescence:** It becomes more trouble to track performance or execute maintenance than is profitable;
- **Functional obsolescence:** The design is outdated, other components have changed, the part has reached a natural end-of-life based on wear, or there are other issues that make a part inferior;
- **Technological obsolescence:** Advances in connected software make the part obsolete, or competing products are clearly superior.

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Why Are Some Companies Better at Pivoting Than Others?

By: *Juliann Grant*, Vice President of Marketing at Razorleaf

From electrical power to the artificial heart to the Internet, technology has improved economic growth and enhanced standards of living. Yet failure rates show that many organizations and new products struggle for survival and fail within a few years (Gage, 2016; Castellion & Markham, 2013). In fact, companies are unlikely to get things exactly right out of the gate. Business strategies often have to be abandoned or adapted as new information becomes available or as industry dynamics shift, as is happening with [digital transformation](#).

Enter the ability to adapt or “pivot” a business strategy. Eric Ries first popularized the concept of pivoting in his book, *The Lean Startup* (2011). This skill is considered a critical component for success in today’s highly competitive, global environment.

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