# element14 and Elektor Academy launch series of monthly webinars on key topics for the design engineering community

element14 and Elektor magazine have launched a series of monthly online webcasts as part of their bespoke training services offered to the electronic design engineering community. The first session will be a free webcast entitled 'Platino, an ultra-versitile platform for AVR microcontroller circuits' on Oct 13, 2011, from 16:00 CET. To register, please visit:
http://www.element14.com/community/events/3071 [1]

During the hour-long webcast, Clemens Valens, Editor-in-Chief of the French edition of Elektor will discuss how several microcontroller applications share a common architecture: an LCD, a few push buttons and some interface circuitry to talk to the real world and how Platino offers a flexible through-hole design for such systems based on the popular AVR microcontrollers from Atmel.

The webcast will comprise of a 30-minute online presentation followed by a 30-minute Q&A session. The session will also be archived after the event and can be accessed by visiting http://www.element-14.com/community/groups/technology-training-webinars [2]. This webcast will also discuss how Platino supports all 28 and 40 pin AVR devices, several types of LCD and has a flexible pushbutton and/or rotary encoder configuration. Add-on cards in the form of Arduino type shields or custom boards are fully supported. Platino is compatible with the Arduino IDE and with many other popular development systems.

All attendees of this webinar will be provided with a discount of 10% off online orders placed with Farnell and Newark-element14 valid for 7 days after the event (14 October - 20 October 2011).

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Upcoming webinars:

E-Blocks, Twitter and the Sailing Club – 17th November
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Let's Build a Chaos Generator – 15th December
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