

SANTA BARBARA, CA, September 27, 2013 /24-7PressRelease/ -- Today Cogi (Ko' jee) and North Dakota State University, Fargo, announced that they have signed a research and development agreement through North Dakota's Centers of Excellence (COE) program. The COE program partners research and development hubs across the state's university and college campuses with private companies to stimulate technology-led economic development.

The new R&D partnership between [Cogi](#) and [NDSU](#), Fargo, comes through the university's State of North Dakota-funded Center of Excellence in Sensors, Communications, and Controls (COE-CSCC). The CSCC provides expertise in sensor integration, systems engineering and software applications. Companies participating in the COE program match \$2 for every \$1 provided by a grant through North Dakota's Centers of Excellence program.

With 25 approved Centers of Excellence and partners such as Cogi, the COE program has contributed \$635 million in estimated economic impact to North Dakota's economy, according a report by the state's Department of Commerce.

"We are truly excited about what we've already been able to accomplish utilizing our software development resources based in Fargo and we look forward to expanding our presence in the future," said Mark Cromack, President and co-founder of Cogi. "Our current forecast calls for an additional 20 new jobs in the Fargo area over the next several years, but that figure could grow if we hit our stretch goals."

"The new R&D partnership with Cogi provides additional exciting opportunities in technology-led economic development through the state's Centers of Excellence program. We enthusiastically welcome this California technology company to North Dakota as a research and business development partner with NDSU," said Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research at NDSU.

Cogi's new Android app can be found in the [Google Play Store](#) effective September 25th. "The Cogi app allows anyone to seamlessly capture critical verbal communication - ensuring we never miss an important point raised during meetings, lectures and even day-to-day conversations," said Cromack.

About Cogi Cogi was created to solve a problem everyone shares - how to remember and act upon the important points that flow from meetings, lectures and conversations. Cogi gives users a way to effortlessly capture, recall and track important verbal communication through the use of an intuitive smartphone app. Once captured, these verbal 'highlights' can be enhanced with

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notes, photos or tagged for easy retrieval. Headquartered in Santa Barbara, CA, Cogi was started in March 2007 by a group of technology veterans. For more information on Cogi visit www.Cogi.com

About North Dakota State University The NDSU Research and Technology Park and Technology Incubator are home to fast-paced, high-growth companies that promote technology-based economic development in North Dakota. At the 55-acre NDSU [Research & Technology Park](#), faculty, staff and students work with private sector researchers on leading-edge projects.

NDSU, Fargo, North Dakota, USA, is notably listed among the top 108 U.S. public and private universities in the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education's category of "Research Universities/Very High Research Activity." As a student-focused, land grant, research institution, NDSU is listed in the Top 100 research universities in the U.S. for R&D in computer science, chemistry, physical sciences, psychology, social sciences, and agricultural sciences, based on research expenditures reported to the National Science Foundation. www.ndsu.edu/research

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