

WebLayers Announces Support for IBM WebSphere, SOA Foundation

Leading Provider of Policy-Based Governance Solutions Supports Broadest Range of Governors Available Industry-Wide

Cambridge, MA, April 24, 2006 – WebLayers, the leading provider of policy-based governance solutions for strategic IT initiatives, today announced support for IBM®'s market-leading software platform for on demand business, WebSphere® Application Server. Concurrently, the company also announced that WebLayers Center™, the industry's first enterprise-class platform for policy-based governance, now supports the broadest number of IBM-specific governors available in the industry today, enabling IBM customers to more efficiently leverage and extend IBM's SOA Governance and Management Method in migrating their legacy infrastructure to service-oriented architecture:

The WebLayers Governors™ announced today include:

- IBM® Rational® ClearCase®
- WebSphere® Service Registry and Repository
- Rational® Method Composer
- IBM® WebSphere® DataPower

Additionally, WebLayers offers the broadest set of pre-packaged policy libraries on the market today, collectively designed to implement, enforce and verify results of policy-based governance across the entire lifecycle.

To enable the SOA Lifecycle, IBM has introduced the concept of the IBM SOA Foundation, an integrated, open-standard-based set of software, best practices and patterns that is designed to provide customers with the ability to extend the value of the applications and business processes that support a smooth transition to Service Oriented Architecture. Rather than being a replacement for existing infrastructure or investments, IBM SOA Foundation is interoperable and fully modular—allowing customers to select components on a build-as-you-go basis by adding components as new requirements need to be addressed.

“As the industry evolves from enterprises leveraging cumbersome, legacy infrastructures towards those deploying agile, service-oriented architectures, IBM has demonstrated its willingness and commitment to tiered SOA adoption, enabling SOA to achieve unprecedented levels of understanding and accessibility,” said Irwin Wallach, CEO of WebLayers. “The confluence of our WebLayers Center Governors and IBM's innovative SOA Foundation ensures applications and services that are manageable as well as reusable, that leverage and extend IBM Technologies, and which add significant value to the company's Global and Business Consulting Services engagements.”

WebLayers Center, the industry's first enterprise-class, “purpose-built” platform for policy-based governance delivers a unified set of policies that can be automatically defined, deployed and enforced consistently for all IT entities across diverse organizations. This approach enables policy-based governance that spans the entire IT lifecycle process for any strategic initiative. The result is the ability to meet the urgent needs of individual lines of businesses that can align with corporate goals.

About WebLayers

WebLayers (www.weblayers.com) is leading the market for policy-driven Governance for strategic IT initiatives including SOA, Outsourcing, and Enterprise System Integration. A

private company founded in 2002 with venture capital backing, WebLayers is headquartered in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

WebLayers Center™, the company's flagship product, is deployed within Fortune 500 companies and government agencies who are using it to define their enterprise policies, detect, analyze, and ensure conformance and to govern their most strategic IT initiatives. WebLayers Center's overall design is based on WebLayers' groundbreaking, patent-pending technology for policy-based Governance for the enterprise in a Service Oriented Architecture. For more information about WebLayers, please visit www.weblayers.com.

WebLayers is the founder and coordinator of The SOA Forum. The SOA Forum is comprised of senior IT executives and enterprise architects from Fortune 500 companies and government agencies. Current members include over 500 senior IT executives and enterprise architects. WebLayers is also a member of AFEI (Association for Enterprise Integration), WS-I (Web Services Interoperability Organization), and OASIS (Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards).

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