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Paremus and Gamespace Telematics announce initiative to deliver commercial support, training and consulting for open source OSGi implementations

London, UK and Gothenburg, Sweden, 26th January 2007 – Paremus, developer of SOA-based Infiniflow™ distributed services platform products and sponsor of the Newton Project, and Gamespace Telematics AB, the provider of Knopflerfish™, an open source certified OSGi service platform, today announced the launch of the “OSGi4Enterprise” initiative, a commercial venture offering support, training and consulting services for open source OSGi implementations Equinox, Felix and Knopflerfish.

“The strength of the service oriented design of the OSGi service platform is proving to be directly applicable beyond the embedded world it was originally designed for, and the level of interest in using OSGi for enterprise applications is increasing rapidly,” said Christer Larsson, CEO and founder of Gamespace Telematics. “OSGi provides the enterprise with the requisite foundations for successfully deploying the next generation of service oriented composite applications, and our announcement is in support of the Enterprise Expert Group recently formed by the OSGi Alliance”.

“Enterprise software is becoming too large and too complex for user organizations to deal with. Often they find themselves deploying large software platforms they know will be utilized only in part in the context of enterprise-class service oriented architecture. Technologies aimed at deploying only the needed software capabilities when needed and in a dynamic and coherent fashion, would enable organizations to optimize their IT costs and improve their operational flexibility.” said Massimo Pezzini, VP Distinguished Analyst with Gartner.

“OSGi directly addresses the core issue of complexity in the enterprise by allowing composite applications to be dynamically assembled in a coherent fashion, whilst also enabling effective code re-use. The availability of commercial support is, however, a critical factor to the widespread enterprise adoption of OSGi.” said Richard Nicholson, CEO and founder of Paremus. “While Paremus and Gamespace Telematics have taken the initiative to create a professional

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support structure for developers and enterprises seeking to exploit the benefits of OSGi technology, we are keen to welcome participation from individuals, communities and vendors able to provide high quality OSGi services. Interested parties should contact us via the OSGi4Enterprise website.”

Many see 2007 as the foundation year for enterprise OSGi. Indeed Rod Johnson, the founder of the Spring Framework, and CEO of Interface21, the company behind the Spring Framework, recently predicted that “Spring OSGi is going to be a very big story in 2007.”

Consulting and training services are available for Equinox, Felix and Knopflerfish open source OSGi implementations immediately. Commercial support will be available from 1st March 2007. Full details are available at the website www.osgi4enterprise.org.

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About Paremus

Paremus offers the Infiniflow family of distributed services platforms to bridge the gap between SOA applications and service-oriented infrastructure (SOI). Leveraging the OSGi and Service Component Architecture (www.osoa.org) standards, Infiniflow allows users to realize the full potential of distributed computing for their re-usable, composite service oriented applications. Infiniflow's distributed autonomic runtime environment offers maximum IT agility for businesses while delivering advanced resource management technology that allows automatic resource optimization to dramatically reduce data center operating costs. For more information on Paremus and its innovative software, please visit www.paremus.com.

About Gatespace Telematics AB

Gatespace Telematics is a leading provider in ubiquitous systems and solutions for multi-service platforms. The company provides OSGi based middleware platforms and professional services as leading experts in SOA and distributed systems design, Java technology, and embedded systems. Read more on: <http://www.gatespacetelematics.com>

About Knopflerfish

Gatespace Telematics is the founder and maintainer of Knopflerfish, an open source OSGi distribution. Gatespace Telematics offers complementary middleware products and services to Knopflerfish, giving companies the assurance needed to use open source software in commercial products. More info on: www.knopflerfish.org

About the OSGi Alliance

The OSGi Alliance is a worldwide consortium of technology innovators that advances a proven and mature process to assure interoperability of applications and services based on its component integration platform. The alliance provides specifications, reference implementations, test suites and certification to foster a valuable cross-industry ecosystem. OSGi technology is delivered in many Fortune Global 100 company products and services. For more information on the non-profit technology corporation, visit: www.osgi.org

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Background notes:

OSGi

OSGi technology provides a service-oriented, component-based environment for developers and offers standardized ways to manage the software lifecycle. These capabilities greatly increase the value of a wide range of computers and devices that use the Java™ platform. OSGi technology adopters benefit from improved time-to-market and reduced development costs because OSGi technology provides for the integration of pre-built and pre-tested component subsystems with reduced maintenance costs. While the OSGi Service Platform has been widely adopted in embedded devices, more recently there has been growing adoption in server-side and enterprise applications. The recently formed OSGi Enterprise Expert Group is extending the platform to meet the additional needs of enterprise customers where early adopters have discovered value in the dynamic module system that OSGi technology provides for Java.

The OSGi Enterprise Expert Group (EEG) is chartered with adapting and extending the OSGi Service Platform to meet additional needs of enterprise customers. The initial proposal is for the EEG to define the technical requirements and specifications required to tailor the OSGi Service Platform for enterprise application and management scenarios. The proposal includes technical software requirements for desktops, laptops, and servers with documentation, specifications, reference implementations and compatibility test suites.

Candidate areas of EEG concern include enterprise-class lifecycle and configuration management, distributed deployments, robustness, multi-language support and legacy software integration. Technical areas addressed by the EEG would include the technical requirements, functional specifications, data and metadata formats, and communication protocols, as necessary, for the enterprise service platform as well as new technical requirements for the base service platform.

The Spring Framework

The Spring Framework is the leading full-stack Java/JEE application framework. Led and sustained by Interface21, Spring delivers significant benefits for many projects, increasing development productivity and runtime performance while improving test coverage and application quality. In 2006, a number of surveys and reports confirmed that the Spring Framework has become the defacto standard, with a majority of enterprises are using Spring. For more information, visit: www.springframework.org.