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## **GATESPACE TELEMATICS GOES OPEN SOURCE**

*Gatespace Telematics releases Ubiserv, a Java based, OSGi release 3 certified service platform, built on the open source project Knopflerfish*

**Göteborg, Sweden 13 May 2004** - Gatespace Telematics, a leader in OSGi technology today announced the release of Ubiserv, an OSGi release 3 certified service platform. Large and vital parts of Ubiserv are built on Knopflerfish, an open source distribution of the Java based OSGi specifications.

"Ubiserv is a commercial Knopflerfish distribution", says Christer Larsson, CEO of Gatespace Telematics. "It is a fully supported product and it is primarily intended for corporate use. We are the guys picking up the support phone when there is a problem, giving companies the assurance they need to use open source software."

The business model for using Ubiserv is simple, customers pay for the support, nothing else. A customer wanting to use Ubiserv must sign an SLA, Service Level Agreement, to set the level of support. Except for this cost, there are no additional licensing costs for using or deploying products shipped with Ubiserv. A customer in no need of support may instead use the freely available Knopflerfish distribution.

Christer Larsson continues: "With the general open source momentum combined with the momentum for OSGi in the vehicle and mobile industries, we felt it was perfect timing for going open source. At the same time we have identified the need for support from companies to get full acceptance for using open source in commercial products. By offering a fully supported open source product, we feel confident we have a winning combination".

The open source Knopflerfish OSGi distribution is based on Gatespace's GDSP product, and includes the OSGi framework, the most popular standard OSGi services and Knopflerfish add-ons like the graphical desktop, log and console utilities. "In the Knopflerfish 1.3 release, our design goals were to create an easy-to-use, efficient and fully interoperable OSGi R3 toolkit. Previous versions of the Knopflerfish distribution are already in use at several sites around the world and we have an active community committing to the project", says Erik Wistrand, President of the Knopflerfish organization.

### **About Gatespace Telematics**

Gatespace Telematics AB was formed in May 2003 when the telematics and broadband business areas of Gatespace AB were separated. The company is a supplier of Java expertise, OSGi technology and telematics solutions. Gatespace Telematics is a leading member in the OSGi alliance and continues the ground-breaking OSGi work done by Gatespace AB. More information is available at:  
<http://www.gatespacetelematics.com>

### **About Knopflerfish**

Knopflerfish is a non-profit organization, developing OSGi related material for open source publication. The Knopflerfish project's goal is to develop and distribute easy to use open source code, build tools and applications, related to the OSGi framework. The Knopflerfish website provides more information:  
<http://www.knopflerfish.org>

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