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## **OSGi™ Alliance Announces Second OSGi World Congress**

### **Düsseldorf Forum to Highlight Progress and Deployments of OSGi Open Systems**

San Ramon, Calif. – The OSGi™ Alliance today announced that its second World Congress will be held at the Düsseldorf Conference Center in Düsseldorf Germany 21-24 October 2003.

Applications and software developers, service aggregators, hardware platform providers, consumer electronics and automotive manufacturers will gather at the Congress to see and learn how the OSGi Service Platform is being used in a variety of networked environments. OSGi based deployments for in-vehicle entertainment and information services, home network services, and smart handheld devices will be prominently featured. Selected speakers will show how to easily deploy, provision, maintain, and manage applications and services to devices and will illustrate the benefits of the OSGi Service Platform to end-users, network operators, and manufacturers.

At the Congress, attendees will hear progress reports on commercially compelling OSGi implementations from a wide variety of organizations and companies reflective of the three main vertical markets served by the OSGi Alliance: Automotive Electronics, Smart Homes, and Service Providers. One full day will be dedicated to special tracks focusing on the OSGi technology in automotive environments, in the home, and in networks. The agenda will also include an OSGi technology overview, and examinations of OSGi applications and deployments throughout the world.

Special features of the event will include an analyst roundtable and a “Venture Shootout”, where companies will have ten minutes to present their ideas to a panel of venture capitalists and receive an instant ‘yes/no/maybe’.

“This event follows a very successful first OSGi World Congress held last September in Stockholm, where registration exceeded expectations,” said Dr. John R. Barr, President of the OSGi Alliance and Director of Standards Realization for Motorola. “The OSGi World Congress brings together certified implementations from multiple vendors, alignment of OSGi with the automotive information and entertainment systems, smart home and energy management solutions, and examples of product implementations and system deployments made possible by the OSGi service platform.

“The product announcements and alignment of the OSGi Alliance with key vertical-market drivers is proof of the acceptance of the OSGi Service Platform as the solution for the network delivery of managed services to local networks and devices as well as a new model for the implementation of complex embedded system solutions.”

Concurrent with the Congress, the OSGi Alliance will hold a members-only meeting on Tuesday, October 21. The event is being produced for the OSGi Alliance by Global Inventures.

For registration information go to [www.osgiworldcongress.com](http://www.osgiworldcongress.com).

### **About the OSGi Alliance**

The OSGi Alliance and its members specify, create, advance, and promote an open service delivery and management platform and foster its wide industry adoption. The OSGi Alliance serves as the focal point for a collaborative ecosystem of service provider, technology, industrial, consumer and automotive electronics communities. As an independent non-profit corporation, the OSGi Alliance also provides for the fair and uniform creation and distribution of relevant intellectual property – including specifications, reference implementations, and test suites – to all its members.

The OSGi Service Platform is an extensible integration platform used to remotely and dynamically deploy, provision, maintain, and manage applications and services to devices in networked environments, such as homes, vehicles, mobile handhelds, and industrial settings.

Membership is open to any interested party, including Internet service providers, network operators, original equipment manufacturers, independent software vendors, end users, academic institutions, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. The consortium’s Web site address is <http://www.osgi.org>.

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