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OSGi™ Alliance to Conduct Asian Technology Tour *Singapore and Tokyo on presentation route*

San Ramon, Calif. – The OSGi Alliance, an open forum focusing on the network delivery and management of services to all types of networked devices in home, vehicle, mobile, and other environments, has announced special presentations in Asia, where there has been considerable interest in the OSGi Service Platform.

Presenting August 26, 2003 at the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) seminar in Singapore will be Dr. John Barr, Director, Standards Realization, Motorola, Inc., and President of the OSGi Alliance; Peter Kriens, CEO, aQute, and OSGi Director of Technology; Lawrence Chan, Vice President Asia Pacific, Echelon Corporation and Regional VP for Asia Pacific for the OSGi Alliance; and Kai Hackbarth, Product Manager, ProSyst Software AG and Requirements Chair for the OSGi Alliance. The next day will feature an OSGi Developer's Tutorial by Kriens. The group will then move on to Tokyo, Japan on August 28 for more informational sessions there. Details of the meetings may be found at http://www.osgi.org/news/osgi_events/.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to better inform the world about the successful OSGi technology story,” said Dr. Barr. “We’re really looking forward to meeting with Asian companies, and we hope to raise more awareness in Asia, attract new members and work closer with Asian companies.”

“Today 21% of OSGi members are from companies in Asia,” said Mr. Chan. “We see the number of OSGi members from Asia growing faster than the other regions due to the increase in companies in Asia that are building products and services targeting telematics and the Home Networking market. Asian companies are more sensitive to adopting new technology and industry standards. The open system business model attracts more Asian companies to build competitive products for the global market.”

Mr. Raymond Lee, Deputy Director of the Technology Direction Division at IDA, added, “We are delighted to hear first-hand experiences from experts at the OSGi Alliance, who have chosen Singapore as their first stop in Asia to speak on this new emerging technology. The approach of using a common service delivery platform was identified as one of the emerging technology trends in IDA's Infocomm Technology Roadmap. The OSGi specification is a promising candidate for this new approach of managed service delivery. In line with our 'Connected Singapore' corporate strategies, early adoption of emerging technologies is essential to give Singapore a competitive edge in business and economic opportunities. The IDA seminar will update Singapore companies on the latest developments in OSGi technology, and give them hands-on experience in developing applications for a residential service gateway.”

The Tokyo meeting will contain a mix of OSGi member companies and non-member companies interested in how the OSGi technology can improve opportunities for revenue growth via the OSGi Service Platform. Non-member companies will have an opportunity to interact with OSGi member companies to learn how the OSGi Alliance is working together to enable these markets.

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>.

The OSGi 2003 World Congress will be held October 21-24 in Düsseldorf Germany. Applications and software developers, service aggregators, hardware platform providers, consumer electronics and automotive manufacturers will discuss the latest product developments and deployments. This will provide an excellent opportunity for developers to network with the OSGi community and learn how to develop their own OSGi service bundles. For registration information go to www.osgiworldcongress.com.

About the Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore

The Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore (IDA) develops, promotes and regulates infocommunications in Singapore, with the aim of establishing Singapore as one of the world's premier infocomm capitals. To nurture an internationally competitive infocomm industry, IDA offers a comprehensive range of programmes and schemes for both local and international companies. For more information, visit www.ida.gov.sg.

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