Nine Global Players Achieve OSGi Certification

4DHomeNet, Acunia, Connected Systems, Espial, Gatespace, IBM, ProSyst, Samsung and Sun Microsystems announce OSGi-certified products within three months of compliance program launch

San Ramon, Calif. – The Open Services Gateway Initiative (OSGi) today announced that 4DHomeNet, Acunia, Connected Systems, Espial, Gatespace, IBM, ProSyst, Samsung and Sun Microsystems are the first nine companies worldwide to have passed certification testing for their OSGi Service Platform-based products. This validates the growing adoption of OSGi deployment for the residential and telematics environments.

The availability of certified compliant Service Platforms allows customers to purchase products, confident in the knowledge that they meet the requirements for the Open Service Gateway Initiative Service Platform Release 2 Specification. The specification facilitates the installation and operation of multiple services on a single Service Gateway (set-top box, cable or DSL modem, PC, automotive information and entertainment platform, multimedia gateway or dedicated residential gateway).

“This is a great achievement for OSGi”, said Dr. John R. Barr, President of OSGi and Director of Standards Realization for Motorola. “Producing a compliant framework is not a trivial undertaking and the availability of so many, just three months after the start of the program, is a huge vote of confidence for what we’re doing for the delivery of services to networked devices. I’m very pleased with where we are right now.”

The first OSGi World Congress will be held September 24-27, 2002 in Stockholm, Sweden. These certified companies, as well as other OSGi member companies, 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 bundle.

The OSGi Service Platform supports network delivered services for a remote device that can then run locally or in conjunction with other network resources. The specification is explicitly designed to be open and synergistic with a wide range of existing networking and computer technologies and enhances virtually all current networking standards and initiatives. In the same way, the specification adds value to existing wireline and wireless networks while being neutral to and complementing cable, WCDMA, xDSL and other high-speed access technologies. It allows service providers to deliver value-added services of their own and selectively allow delivery of services provided by third party providers. The OSGi compliance program establishes a common specification third parties can use to create value-added services that can
be delivered over a variety of networking systems using platforms incorporating compliant OSGi service platforms.

These compliant OSGi Service Platform Release 2 based products are just part of the growing list of platforms, products, services, industry adoptions, and deployments incorporating the specifications and community emerging as a result of the work of members of the Open Services Gateway Initiative. As a result of the OSGi compliance program, this number will quickly increase as OSGi makes it possible for products and services to take advantage of a growing community using OSGi as a competitive advantage.

**About OSGi**

The Open Services Gateway Initiative (OSGi), established in 1999, is an independent, non-profit corporation. OSGi provides the only vendor-neutral, multiply-sourced specification in the industry to deliver and manage an application or service through a network that runs locally on a remote device. OSGi also works to proliferate these open specifications through the sponsorship of technology, market, and user education programs. OSGi is a global, cross-industry consortium.

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](http://www.osgi.org).

**About 4DHomeNet**

4DHomeNet was established to pioneer home multimedia technology based on digital communication, digital hardware/software, and digital middleware technology. The company is geared to carry out a major large-scale project, 4DigitalHome™, a novel technology that uses a wide variety of technologies to can provide optimum convenience and maximum user satisfaction. Visit the 4DHomeNet website at [www.4dhomenet.com](http://www.4dhomenet.com).

**About ACUNIA**

ACUNIA is a leading provider of software and hardware solutions for next-generation telematics infrastructure and services. Headquartered in Leuven, Belgium and with an office in Frankfurt, the company employs about 100 people worldwide. The company’s U.S. subsidiary, ACUNIA, Inc., is located in Cambridge, Mass. ACUNIA developed the ACUNIA Open Telematics Framework® (OTF), the first fully functional, end-to-end, Java-based open software design for the entire telematics pipeline. Visit the ACUNIA website at [http://www.acunia.com/](http://www.acunia.com/).

**About Connected Systems**

Connected Systems ([www.connectedsys.com](http://www.connectedsys.com)) is a service gateway technology expert promising to make a connected lifestyle a reality by providing open standard scalable infrastructure software solutions for service gateway, professional consulting and engineering services that enable customer to market quickly. Connected Systems products are target to residential, telematics, back-end markets.
About Espial

Espial is the first to provide a comprehensive approach to the development of open software for the next generation Internet - The Pervasive Internet. Partners and customers such as Intel, Motorola, NEC, Philips, National Semiconductor and Sun are helping Espial to realize its Pervasive Internet vision, where billions of users access highly personalized information through a variety of smart Internet devices. Completely portable across any platform, Espial software allows customers to quickly create services, deliver devices and manage infrastructure. The technology applies universally, across such sectors as Internet Appliances, TV, wireless, and automotive. Visit www.espial.com.

About Gatespace

Gatespace (www.gatespace.com) is a leading supplier of Managed Services solutions for managing, provisioning and configuring e-Services (native and OSGi-based) within the Broadband and Telematics markets. Gatespace's carrier-grade e-Services system links the enterprise to the edge of the Internet for broadband and telematics service providers and operators. Gatespace headquarters is located in Göteborg, Sweden, with its US office in Palo Alto, California, USA.

About IBM

IBM (www.ibm.com) is the world's leading e-business company offering a wide range of services, solutions and technologies that help businesses take advantage of emerging innovation. IBM provides a robust infrastructure for your e-business environment based on open industry standards like those of the Open Services Gateway Initiative (OSGi). Integration demands open standards. With billions of smart devices interacting, the problems of integration cannot be solved with a proprietary approach. OSGi is a vital link in the value chain of open industry standards that make possible new worlds of e-business solutions based on intelligent, networked devices in businesses, vehicles, the home, and even in your hand. IBM provides the complete range of offerings and services to make this new world of pervasive computing solutions available to you. With Service Management Framework™, the OSGi Framework component of WebSphere Everyplace Embedded Software, WebSphere Micro Edition, a Java Virtual Machine environment, Eclipse and WebSphere Device Developer development tools, DB2 Everyplace and Cloudbase databases, MQSeries Everyplace message queueing systems, combined with WebSphere and Lotus server software, and consulting services from the world's largest IT services organization - IBM Global Services - IBM can truly serve as your end-to-end one-stop-shop for OSGi based business solutions.

About ProSyst

ProSyst offers the broadest variety of open and scalable software solutions which pave the way for the development, deployment, and management of new applications and end-to-end services, such as remote control, remote maintenance, remote diagnosis, data readout and software update via the Internet. Embedded within a residential, automotive or industrial environment, ProSyst’s innovative solutions enable a new level of interactivity between local network components, external networks and the Internet. Established in 1997 and headquartered in Cologne, Germany, ProSyst employs more than 200 people, of whom 150+ are Java developers and consultants focusing on embedded solutions. Based on this broad
expertise and high flexibility, ProSyst’s products support full interoperability between manufacturers, network operators, external service providers and end consumers and bridge the gap that exists between the various technology standards and protocols. Further information, including a wide variety of customer and partner projects, can be found on the World Wide Web at www.prosyst.com.

About Samsung Electronics

Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. is a global leader in semiconductor, telecommunication, and digital convergence technology. Samsung Electronics employs approximately 64,000 people in 89 offices in 47 countries. The company is the world's largest producer of memory chips, TFT-LCDs, CDMA mobile phones, monitors and VCRs. Samsung Electronics consists of four main business units: Digital Media Network, Device Solution Network, Telecommunication Network and Digital Appliance Network Businesses. For more information, please visit www.samsung.com.

About Sun Microsystems

Since its inception in 1982, a singular vision -- "The Network Is The Computer™" -- has propelled Sun Microsystems, Inc. (Nasdaq: SUNW) to its position as a leading provider of industrial-strength hardware, software and services that make the Net work. Sun can be found in more than 170 countries and on the World Wide Web at http://sun.com.

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For registration information and the full schedule of events for the OSGi Congress, go to http://www.osgi.org/.