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Xcalia Announces Broad Interoperability Support for Microsoft .NET

Xcalia selected by Microsoft as part of the IDEES initiative for the economic development of high-potential startups and ISVs in France

PARIS, FRANCE AND PALO ALTO, CA – October 23rd, 2006 – Xcalia, a leading provider of dynamic integration software, today announced that it has been selected by Microsoft France as part of the IDEES (initiative for the economical development of high-potential startups and ISVs) and will extend data access and intermediation capabilities to Microsoft .NET applications. Xcalia will introduce a .NET client in Q4 and plans subsequent technology announcements in 2007 to extend the interoperability of the Microsoft .NET Framework with J2EE-based data and services required with SOAs. Now, customers that deploy applications on both J2EE and .NET platforms in heterogeneous environments are able to access data and services across all resources.

With this announcement, Xcalia will work with Microsoft's Emerging Business Team (EBT) in the United States and the Microsoft Technology Center in Paris on joint .NET integration development and marketing. In addition, Xcalia plans subsequent technology announcements in 2007 to extend the interoperability of Microsoft with J2EE-based data and services required with SOAs, including a dedicated Xcalia .NET Mapper to access and update already-deployed .NET components and facilitate native integration with mainframe, legacy and other J2EE applications. This will enable .NET services to be executed along with other data and services in high volume, transactional, composite applications as already delivered by Xcalia Intermediation Core™ (XIC) for the Java community.

"The flexibility, adaptability and ease of Xcalia's intermediation approach to data and services is truly innovative, making them an ideal EBT partner," said Dan'l Lewin,

corporate vice president of Strategic and Emerging Business Development at Microsoft Corp. "We are looking forward to working with Xcalia to further build our .NET interoperability and transactional capabilities in large enterprises."

"More than 20 large companies each running millions of transactions per day are benefiting from Xcalia's technology, product quality, and superior application performance to maintain their competitive edge. These customers have traditionally chosen J2EE platforms, but we are getting more and more requests from our customers to have their .NET applications and resources easily interoperate in these environments," said Pierre Violo, CEO of Xcalia. "Microsoft is making significant inroads in the back-office and demonstrates a real commitment to work with Xcalia to provide an optimal integration answer to customer requirements in mixed environments and interoperability."

XIC provides unified, real-time access to heterogeneous data and services to easily create composite applications. Xcalia Intermediation maps services with enterprise data and information resources regardless of the content, location, platform or programming language. XIC sits between the business and data layers to dynamically compose applications and execute transactions at runtime.

The introduction of the .NET client provides the ability for .NET composite applications to use XIC to easily access and update enterprise information for business transactions. This integration is done through the XIC Web Service interface which is well suited for SOA projects to extend application connectivity, adding another level of flexibility and interoperability to enterprise IT environments.

About Xcalia

Xcalia provides dynamic integration software for agile enterprises to easily create transactional composite applications. Our unique intermediation approach enables unified, real-time access to heterogeneous data and services. Intermediation is adaptive and configurable so application changes can be made quickly and cost effectively without impacting the underlying systems or infrastructure. Xcalia is ideal for high-performance business environments that must preserve transactional application capabilities while reusing information resources in a service-oriented way. Xcalia, headquartered in Paris, France, has offices in the U.S. and Germany and over 50 enterprise customers globally. The company is privately held. For more on Xcalia, visit www.xcalia.com.

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