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Salamander achieves TOGAF 8 certification for Mood

Salamander today (9 March 2007) announces that its Mood Transformation Technology has achieved certification for TOGAF 8 – the latest release of The Open Group Architecture Framework. This positions Mood as an accredited tool for the industry standard architecture framework and method, one of only five such products worldwide.

TOGAF (The Open Group Architecture Framework) is a comprehensive, globally recognised, architecture framework and methodology that enables the design, evaluation and implementation of the right architecture for an enterprise's information systems. The Open Group is a vendor-neutral and technology-neutral consortium, which promotes a vision of Boundaryless Information Flow™ to enable access to integrated information, within and among enterprises. It does this by bringing together customers, vendors, consultants, governments and academia to work on open standards such as TOGAF and to provide certification, as an assurance programme in architecture frameworks, in different areas including: tool support, training and professional services.



Salamander's chief technology officer Dick Whittington says: "We're delighted to achieve this certification and endorsement for Mood. TOGAF is widely recognised as a valuable international standard, and TOGAF certified tools are a common starting point for tool selection by many enterprise architecture initiatives around the globe.

"Alongside our MODAF Blueprint, achieving certification for our TOGAF Blueprint is an important milestone for Mood, enhancing our international exposure and giving recognition to our technology development team."

Allen Brown, President and CEO of The Open Group, says: "The certification of Mood illustrates the evolution of enterprise architecture from its origins in the world of IT towards the wider challenges of business integration, transformation and performance.

"This trend is increasingly viewed as vital to the success of enterprise architecture initiatives in delivering business agility in today's highly connected world. TOGAF aims to remain at the forefront of such developments, and we welcome Salamander's active participation."



Allen Brown

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Notes to editors

1. **About The Open Group**

The Open Group is a vendor-neutral and technology-neutral consortium, which drives the creation of Boundaryless Information Flow™; that will enable access to integrated information within and between enterprises based on open standards and global interoperability. The Open Group works with customers, suppliers, consortia and other standard bodies. Its role is to capture, understand and address current and emerging requirements, establish policies and share best practices; to facilitate interoperability, develop consensus, and evolve and integrate specifications and open source technologies; to offer a comprehensive set of services to enhance the operational efficiency of consortia; and to operate the industry's premier certification service. The Open Group has over 200 member organizations, with over 6,000 participants in The Open Group activities from 19 countries.

2. **About Mood®**

Salamander's Mood Transformation Technology combines the ability to build architectures, define and manage change programmes, increase performance and create business intelligence solutions - all based on a common Enterprise Business Model. By innovating on open architecture and technology standards Mood has become the first truly business-driven Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) solution, enabling business value to manage the strategy, design and integration of SOA environments.

Salamander has achieved numerous awards for its technology including the IEE Innovation Award and the Queen's Award for Enterprise and Innovation 2004.

3. **MODAF**

MODAF is the Ministry of Defence Architecture Framework which provides a rigorous way to present an enterprise architecture, and is a key enabler to MOD's Network Enabled Capability (NEC).

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