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News

Web services roadblock broken down

It was the phoney standards war that was stalling everything. But with the opposing camps united behind WS-Addressing, an important foundation of the service oriented architecture (SOA) is now far closer than it was just a month ago.

www.infoconomy.com/pages/xmlwebservices-news/group98418.adp

Metastorm upgrades e-Work and adds in BizTalk 2004

The latest version of Metastorm's business process management software, e-Work 6.5, has a few must-have features such as support for Business Process Execution Language (BPEL). But a surprising addition to the program is Microsoft's BizTalk Server 2004.

www.metastorm.com/news/081604.asp

Microsoft catches up with other portal vendors

It's been on most portal vendors' feature list since the standard was finalised last September, but Web Services for Remote Portlets (WSRP) has had little impact until now. But with Microsoft finally joining the rest of the industry, enterprise users will at last be able to use a cross-vendor web services standard to integrate their portal content.

www.gartner.com/DisplayDocument?doc_cd=122373

Conference promises top business software thinkers

On 29–30 September, *Information Age* will bring together some of the most influential thinkers in business software to discuss the issues at the XML & Web Services 2004 conference in London. They include top global executives from Adobe, BEA, Cap Gemini, IBM, SAP, See Beyond, Tibco and Webmethods, a top professor from Stanford University, and user executives from major international organisations.

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Analysis

Picking the right tools for the job

You can't buy a SOA. You can only buy enabling products. So says a report from the New Rowley Group, one of the many companies now advising organisations on how to tackle this important area. But which tools? Where do they all fit in?

www.infoconomy.com/pages/xmlwebservices-analysis/group97786.adp

The skills problem

Application development is going to become a lesser skill for IT staff, as SOAs and web services spread wider. But getting people that have the right blend of programming skills and business process insight will be a hard task.

www.infoconomy.com/pages/xmlwebservices-advice/group97794.adp

Re-using the legacy investment

The success or failure of SOA for the next few years will depend on the

ability of organisations to manage and integrate their legacy software. But there is a problem: most legacy systems were not designed to interoperate with modern, open systems, let alone service-oriented systems.
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