Sparx Systems Wins Prestigious Industry Recognition from SD Times

Global UML modeling tool vendor receives industry award for innovation and recognition for quality and service to software development industry.

Creswick, Australia, June 16, 2009 – Sparx Systems (www.sparxsystems.com), developer of leading UML modeling platform, Enterprise Architect, today announced it has received coveted recognition as a winner of the 2009 SD Times 100 award. This award underscores Enterprise Architect's reputation as a world class modeling tool by the international software industry.

"The software development industry has always been led by innovation, and that's true even in today's challenging economic climate" said Alan Zeichick, Editorial Director of BZ Media's SD Times. "When choosing the 2009 SD Times 100 winners, we carefully considered each organization's products and services, reputation with enterprise development managers, and the new ideas and thought leadership that it has brought to the industry. Thanks to companies like Sparx Systems, the art of software development continues to advance at a rapid pace."

Sparx Systems Enterprise Architect is now used in over 130 countries by a prolific customer base of close to 200,000 end users. The popular modeling platform, which has been translated into several languages, has been adopted by many international standards organizations including ISO, IEC, UN/CEFACT and others, to develop and maintain industry standard reference models.

Enterprise Architect remains a popular choice for global organizations as IT budgets face the pressure of current economic conditions. The tool sets a highly competitive price-performance benchmark to meet the expectations of geographically dispersed teams, while still catering for the needs of the single user.

Geoffrey Sparks, CEO of Sparx Systems noted "This award is great acknowledgement not only of Sparx Systems' innovation, leadership and competitiveness and the important contribution that we make to the modeling tools industry and a rapidly growing end user market, but is also testament to Enterprise Architect as an effective, productive, open and fully featured tool."

Enterprise Architect is immediately available for evaluation and download from the Sparx Systems web site: www.sparxsystems.com

About Sparx Systems

Sparx Systems (www.sparxsystems.com) specializes in high performance and scalable visual modeling tools for the planning, design and construction of software intensive systems.

With customers in industries ranging from aerospace and automotive engineering to finance, defense, government, entertainment and telecommunications, Sparx Systems is a leading vendor of innovative solutions based on the Unified Modeling Language (UML) and its related specifications. A Contributing Member of the Object Management Group (OMG), Sparx Systems is committed to realizing the potential of model-driven development based on open standards.

The company's flagship product, Enterprise Architect, has received numerous accolades since its commercial release in August, 2000. Now at version 7.5, Enterprise Architect is the design tool of choice for close to 200,000 registered users world-wide.

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