OASIS Advances S-RAMP to Promote Interoperability of SOA Repositories

Active Endpoints, HP, IBM, Primeton Technologies, Red Hat, SOA Software, Software AG, TIBCO, and Others Collaborate to Enable Data Sharing Across SOA Repositories from Different Vendors

Boston, MA, USA; 2 March 2011 ? The OASIS international open standards consortium has gathered the support of leading vendors and users of Service Oriented Architecture (SOA) repositories to address a critical interoperability issue. The newly formed OASIS SOA Repository Artifact Model and Protocol (S-RAMP) Technical Committee will advance a standard for sharing data across SOA repository products from multiple vendors in both cloud and non-cloud environments.

Based on a contribution authored by HP, IBM, Software AG, and TIBCO, the S-RAMP specification defines an SOA repository artifact data model together with bindings that describe the syntax for interacting with an SOA repository.

"The goal of this technical committee is to produce a standard that will eliminate the need to build customized access methods for each suppliers' SOA repository offerings," said Vincent Brunssen of IBM and chair of the OASIS S-RAMP Technical Committee. "A vendor-neutral approach to accessing the data in SOA repositories is essential to giving organizations the flexibility to select the tools that work best for their growing IT infrastructure."

S-RAMP builds on existing specifications including the SOA Ontology from The Open Group, the Atom Syndication Format Standard, and the Atom Publishing Protocol Standard from IETF.

Participation in the S-RAMP Technical Committee is open to all interested parties. Archives of the Committee's work are accessible to both members and non-members, and OASIS invites public review and comment.

Support for S-RAMP

IBM
"Our clients want the choice and freedom that comes with the ability to access the data in their SOA repositories in multi-vendor environments. This is why IBM co-authored the original specification and are excited so many companies have joined the S-RAMP Technical Committee. This emerging industry standard is key to the future of SOA and helping clients use data to grow their business."

-- Angel Luis Diaz, vice president of software standards
Red Hat
"Red Hat believes that the output of the S-RAMP Technical Committee is crucial to the next step in the evolution of SOA and is pleased to support this work."
-- Dr. Mark Little, Senior Director of Engineering

SOA Software
"SOA Software is pleased to be a Sponsor member of the OASIS S-RAMP Technical Committee and is committed to driving requirements from its wide range of enterprise customers into the S-RAMP specification. As SOA adoption accelerates, IT organizations often need to access information from multiple SOA repositories. S-RAMP has great potential to enable customers to better integrate and build closed loop governance across repositories in the enterprise. Standards such as S-RAMP add value to customers as well as the whole SOA vendor ecosystem."
-- Brent Carlson, SVP Technology

Software AG
"S-RAMP significantly advances the interoperability of tools that need to integrate with SOA repository solutions from various vendors. A vendor-neutral SOA repository information model and standard protocols to access data is a highly desirable advancement in this space. As co-authors of the S-RAMP specifications, Software AG is pleased to see this next major step in becoming an industry standard with the formation of the OASIS S-RAMP Technical Committee."
-- Hans-Christoph Rohland, Senior Vice President-Research & Development

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