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OASIS Expands Board of Directors

International Standards Consortium Adds Representatives from IBM, Nokia, and Oracle

Boston, MA, USA; 8 December 2003 -- OASIS, the international standards organization, today announced the election of three new members to its Board of Directors. Frederick Hirsch of Nokia, Jeff Mischkinsky of Oracle, and Michael Weiner of IBM were elected by the OASIS membership to provide business leadership to advance OASIS as a major standards-setting body for Web services, e-business security, and other applications. The three fill new seats created by a recent decision to expand the Board in response to membership growth.

Hirsch, Mischkinsky, and Weiner join existing directors, John Borrás of the United Kingdom Office of e-Envoy, Edward Cobb of BEA, Colin Evans of Intel, Patrick Gannon of OASIS, Eduardo Gutentag of Sun Microsystems, Jim Hughes of Hewlett-Packard, Chris Kurt of Microsoft, and Laura Walker.

"OASIS open standards play an important role in moving the XML and Web services community forward in a timely and credible manner," said Frederick Hirsch, Senior Architect for Nokia Mobile Phones. "My work at Nokia gives me insight into both the mobile marketplace and the European standards community--perspectives that I hope will further enrich OASIS' industry involvement and reach of influence."

"OASIS has emerged as a significant arena for the development of Web services standards with members doing work in technical committees for UDDI, WSRM, WSBPEL, WS-CAF, WSDM, WSRP, and WS-Security," said Jeff Mischkinsky, Director of Web Services Standards for Oracle. "Oracle is committed to promoting interoperability based on open industry standards, and we are pleased to have this opportunity to further guide standards organizations toward a common, cooperative vision for Web services."

"I am pleased to be returning to the Board of Directors" stated Michael Weiner, Program Manager, e-business Emerging Technology Standards at IBM. "I look forward to helping OASIS continue to grow as a leading standards organization for Web services standards."

About OASIS (<http://www.oasis-open.org> [1]):

OASIS (Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards) is a not-for-profit, global consortium that drives the development, convergence, and adoption of e-business standards. Members themselves set the OASIS technical agenda, using a lightweight, open process expressly designed to promote industry consensus and unite disparate efforts. OASIS produces worldwide standards for security, Web services, conformance, business transactions, and interoperability within and between marketplaces. Founded in 1993, OASIS has more than 2,500 participants representing over 600 organizations and individual members in 100 countries.

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