OASIS Launches OpenDocument XML.org

New Web Site Enables Community to Share, Track, and Monitor Information on the OpenDocument Format


"There is so much excitement and momentum behind OpenDocument right now," said Don Harbison of IBM, co-chair of the OASIS ODF Adoption Committee, which provides editorial guidance for the new site. "We wanted to offer the community a central location where they can easily find reliable information on the technology and the marketplace."

"OpenDocument XML.org also provides a genuine community experience, connecting implementers with users, and making it possible for people to learn from one another and contribute to a growing knowledge base," added Erwin Tenhumberg of Sun Microsystems, co-chair of the OASIS ODF Adoption Committee. "The site supports a wiki interface, blogs, forums, and other interactive methods of communication."

All OpenDocument XML.org pages are accessible by the public, and readers are encouraged to contribute content. In addition to technical and educational background material on the standard, the site features a community bulletin board and directory where readers share news, events, product and services listings, information on deployments in the public and private sectors, case studies, testimonials, and recommendations on books, white papers, and other useful resources.

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