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CUSTOMERS USE KINZAN STUDIO FOR THE JAVA PLATFORM TO ASSEMBLE FLEXIBLE WEB APPLICATIONS

Underlying MVC² Framework Goes Open Source

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., 2004 JavaOneSM Developer Conference, June 28, 2004 — Kinzan today announced that a growing number of organizations are creating web applications using Kinzan Studio, a development tool for rapidly assembling applications from re-usable software parts. Kinzan also unveiled plans to make the MVC² Framework, which is the foundation of Kinzan Studio, available under an open source license.

“It is exciting to see our customers creating flexible web applications using Kinzan Studio,” said Bob Frankenberg, chairman and interim CEO, Kinzan. “It validates our belief that the MVC² Framework is more flexible than alternatives because its artifacts are more re-usable and can support both the Java platform and .NET platform. We will be providing free and unfettered access to the framework because we believe the open source community has a key role to play in unleashing a wave of component re-use similar to the one I witnessed in the hardware industry.

Applications under development using Kinzan Studio for the Java platform include an Incident Support System for the United States Air Force Auxiliary’s Civil Air Patrol that will be used to manage command and communication flow during search and rescue operations. In addition, T-Systems International, one of the largest system integrators in Germany, is planning to develop an IT Service Management System which will track information technology (IT) services and assets assigned to employees at large technology-intensive companies.

“Kinzan Studio is the most powerful development environment I’ve ever used,” said Heath Golub, the pro-bono developer of the Civil Air Patrol’s Incident Support System. “Open sourcing the MVC² Framework will allow the open source community to see its flexibility and simplicity.”

Thomas Wiedemann of T-Systems International, added: “Our IT Service Management Solution has to be very flexible because each organization manages IT services and assets differently, which is why we plan to use Kinzan Studio. Open sourcing the framework will encourage broader adoption by our customers.”

The MVC² Framework defines and describes Model-View-Controller software parts using XML and how they are assembled on both Java platform and .NET platform. The framework will be made available under open source license in the fall of this year.

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“Kinzan’s vision is something that the software development community should embrace because it takes software re-use across the Java platform and .NET platform to a new level,” added Miko Matsumura, noted developer advocate and former Java evangelist at Sun Microsystems.

To learn more about the MVC² Framework, developers can immediately download an evaluation copy of Kinzan Studio for the Java platform at www.kinzan.com or visit Kinzan’s booth #735 at the JavaOne 2004 Conference in San Francisco, June 28th through 30th. As part of a special promotion at JavaOne, developers can enter Kinzan’s MVC² Challenge by submitting a working MVC component to Kinzan by August 16th. Prizes will be awarded to the most innovative, most useful and most complex component. Details are available at www.kinzan.com.

About Kinzan, Inc.

Kinzan is a software development tools company whose product, Kinzan Studio, enables developers to rapidly assemble flexible web applications across both the Java™ platform and Microsoft® .NET Framework. Kinzan is located in Carlsbad, California and its customers include AutoTrader, Avon, Maytag, National Semiconductor, NTT and Sharp Microelectronics of the Americas.

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