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Winners Announced for 2007 Global Awards in Excellence in BPM & Workflow

February 25, 2008 – Nashville, United States. BPM Focus and the Workflow Management Coalition (WfMC) and the announced here today the names of the Gold and Silver winners for the 2007 Global Excellence Awards for Excellence in Business Process Management (BPM) and workflow implementations. These prestigious awards are used to recognize organizations that have demonstrably excelled in implementing innovative solutions to meet strategic business objectives.

"We congratulate the 2007 winners for the particularly high standard of innovation shown in their BPM and workflow implementations," said Nathaniel Palmer, Executive Director of the WfMC. "The positive impact on their business objectives has helped them move the goalposts for their respective industries."

In judging, particular attention was paid to implementations that showed processes extending beyond the corporate boundaries to support customers, suppliers, trading partners and more.

Industry Analyst Derek Miers from BPM Focus commented on the strength of the entries, especially those from Asia and United States. "With a wide range of industries represented, the critical importance of driving performance improvement through more effective management of business processes was plain to see. The Case Studies presented provide some compelling reading, and clearly demonstrate the growing recognition of business processes as key business assets."

The following list identifies the winners from each region and the overall Global Winner, a new award category.

EUROPE

Gold Award

Natuzzi Spa, Italy - nominated by openwork, Italy

Silver Award

infoCaja, Spain - nominated by BizAgi Ltd., UK

NORTH AMERICA

Gold Award

Wells Fargo Financial, USA - nominated by Lombardi, USA

Silver Award (tie)

- Supreme Court of Louisiana, USA nominated by BEA Systems, USA
- Geisinger Health System, USA nominated by TIBCO Software, USA

MIDDLE EAST-AFRICA

Gold Award

Eskom, South Africa - nominated by Graham Technology, UK

PACIFIC RIM

Gold Award

 The Shanghai Commercial & Savings Bank, LTD., Taiwan - nominated by Flowring Technology Corp., Taiwan

Silver Award

Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Australia - nominated by Metastorm, USA

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA

Gold Award

MONEDERO, Argentina - nominated by PECTRA Technology, Inc., USA

Silver Award

• Government of Bermuda, Bermuda - nominated by Project Performance Corporation, USA

GLOBAL AWARD WINNER

 The Shanghai Commerical & Savings Bank, LTD., Taiwan – nominated by Flowring Technology Corp., Taiwan

Now in their 14th year, the Awards were presented on Monday, February 25th, 2008 in conjunction with the BPM Awards and Technology Showcase (http://www.bpmfocus.org/events) held from February 25-26 at the Sheraton Nashville Downtown, in Tennessee. The awards are jointly sponsored by BPM Focus and Workflow Management Coalition (WfMC) with support from industry associations Object Management Group (OMG) and media organization, BPM.com.

The BPM Awards and Technology Showcase is a 3-day forum designed by a team of leading independent consultants and industry analysts in the field of BPM. This program was designed for organizations to minimize risk and accelerate decision-making around BPM. Based around an assessment framework and onsite introductions to the leading BPM vendors, it provides an opportunity to fast track your BPM projects and technology assessments.

ABOUT THE WORKFLOW MANAGEMENT COALITION (www.wfmc.org)

Founded in 1993, the Workflow Management Coalition (WfMC) is a global organization of adopters, developers, consultants, analysts, as well as university and research groups engaged in workflow and BPM. The WfMC creates and contributes to process-related standards, educates the market on related issues, and is the only standards organization that concentrates purely on process. The WfMC created Wf-XML and XPDL, the leading process definition used today in over 70 solutions to store and exchange process models.

ABOUT BPM Focus (www.bpmfocus.org)

BPM Focus (BPMF) is a new member network formed by the recent merger of Enix Consulting and WARIA (Workflow and Reengineering International Association). The new organization extends the traditional services offered by Enix and WARIA through a range of educational services focused around the BPM arena. The BPMF Learning Framework is a program of BPM Development & Deployment courses incorporating best practices for BPM project delivery and supporting techniques from the very best thinkers in the industry. Both organizations have traded continuously since 1992 and this merger is a natural extension of a long tradition of collaboration.

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