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New Report from Software AG Helps to Define the Business Case and Strategy for SOA Governance

- "SOA Governance: Rule Your SOA" draws upon the successes of early adopters to minimize risk and avoid pitfalls
- Step-by-step approach details key facets of successful implementations
- Builds upon the recent release of the SOA Value Assessment, a customizable analysis of projected benefits
- The report is available for download at www.softwareag.com/soagovernance

Darmstadt, Germany, 25.06.2007 - Software AG, a global leader in business infrastructure software, today announced the availability of a new strategy document for implementing service-oriented architecture (SOA) governance. "SOA Governance: Rule Your SOA" draws upon the experiences and best practices of numerous Global 2000 enterprises and other early adopters. It provides practical and actionable advice for implementing SOA governance and maximizing your return-on-investment. This white paper is of particular interest to CIOs, enterprise architects and other IT leaders as it focuses on the business and organizational issues associated with enterprise adoption.

"Enterprises recognize that SOA delivers faster development, more responsive systems and processes, and better utilization of IT resources. However, these benefits can only be achieved and sustained with a solid, yet flexible governance foundation," said Ivo Totev, vice president of webMethods product marketing, Software AG. "In our products and methodologies, we've long stressed an extensible approach that allows small initial investments to ultimately support very complex implementations. Our latest white paper provides a step-by-step introduction to this approach, spanning from overall strategy formation through the pitfalls to be avoid along the way."

Holistic, lifecycle governance is required for managing the cascading interdependencies inherent in SOA. Balancing competing demands for control, agility and transparency requires an approach that not only encompasses relevant IT assets, such as services, interfaces, policies, models and other forms of metadata, but the user as well. By bringing these components into alignment, enterprises can more effectively manage their IT assets as a portfolio to optimize usage while reducing development time and cost. Furthermore, this enhanced alignment with business objectives minimizes operational risk, improves accountability, and facilitates more effective planning and better visibility.

To address this imperative, "SOA Governance: Rule Your SOA" offers a building block approach to successful adoption. Topics covered include:

- The correlation between SOA governance and corporate governance
- Building the business case



- Defining a maturity model for SOA governance
- Key components of the SOA service lifecycle
- Use case scenarios demonstrating the business role of SOA governance
- Best practices and other lessons learned from early adopters
- A roadmap for implementation

"SOA Governance: Rule Your SOA" builds upon Software AG's recent release of the SOA Value Assessment. Developed as a commissioned tool with Forrester Consulting, the SOA Value Assessment helps CIO's justify and prioritize their SOA investments by calculating their projected payback in terms of improved user productivity; better process efficiency and performance; asset rationalization and other infrastructure cost savings; and newly enabled business innovations.

Software AG, in conjunction with Fujitsu, has developed CentraSite, a powerful, sophisticated and extensible platform for SOA governance. The latest release of this integrated registry/repository, CentraSite 3.1, delivers greater out-of-the-box support for the third-party tools offered by members of the CentraSite Community.

For more information on SOA Governance see: www.softwareag.com/soagovernance

To register for the SOA Value assessment, go to www.soavalueassessment.com.

To learn more about CentraSite and the CentraSite Community, visit www.centrasite.com.

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