OPEN WORLD FORUM PRESENTS the Open Innovation Awards 2010

At the recent Open World Forum, five of the world's most promising start-ups focused on Open Source were recognized for their highly original projects in terms of innovation, quality of execution and potential for value creation.



As part of the final round-up from this year's Open World Forum, the 'Demo Cup' announces the results of its annual open innovation awards, dedicated to Open Source startups. The 2010 Open Innovation Awards were organized as part of the Open World Forum by Systematic, with the support of the regional development agency for the Paris Region (ARD).

13 finalists had the opportunity to present their projects to major systems integrators and venture capital investors. The five winners of the Open World Forum Open Innovation Awards 2010 are:

Disruptive Innovations

<u>About the Demo:</u> BlueGriffon is a new-generation wysiwyg cross-platform editor for the Web based on Gecko, the rendering engine of Firefox. The successor to Nvu, it offsers an unmatched conformance to the lastest Web Standards (HTML 5, CSS 3, SVG, MathML, JavaScript).

About the company:

For Disruptive Innovations, there is no software without innovation. Our code tries to provide you with up-to-date solutions. We believe in Open Source because Open Source lets you control what we do for you. We rely on Standards because you need interoperability and maintainability, because you care about accessibility and openess. We have a lot of chutzpah (audacity) and we are proud of it.

Jaspersoft

<u>About the Demo:</u> JasperServer is a high-performance report server that can be deployed as either a stand-alone application or integrated with other applications, that provides rich end-user query, reporting, and data analysis capabilities.

<u>About the company:</u> Jaspersoft provides the most flexible, cost effective and widely deployed Business Intelligence suite in the world, enabling better decision making through highly interactive, web-based reports, dashboards and analysis. Jaspersoft's open source business intelligence software has more than 11 million product downloads worldwide, 160,000 production deployments in 100 countries and over 13,000 commercial customers.

Obeo

About the Demo: Acceleo is an innovative MDA code generator and was initiated in 2005 by Obeo, a French company. It has been designed to improve software development productivity, durability and agility, but also to make MDA easier to learn and use. With Acceleo you may use models in a productive way, apply automatically the best architecture patterns, shorten project deadlines and improve reliability. Acceleo is Open source but also open, which means that it is completely customizable, and may target any technology. After the Eclipse Community Award in 2009, this prize recognizes the constant efforts of Obeo and the Acceleo community to provide a quality tool.

<u>About the company:</u> Obeo is a leading company in the field of model driven software development based on Eclipse. Obeo provides customized Software Factories and Migration Factories to large organizations.

Talend

<u>About the Demo:</u> Talend MDM is the first open source solution for master data management (MDM). It presents an open source alternative to this fast growing market with a complete product that is simple enough to speed implementation, flexible enough to master any domain and open so that it can aid extensibility and advancement of the MDM community.

<u>About the company:</u> The recognized leader in open source data management, Talend makes data integration, data quality and master data management solutions available to organizations of all sizes, and for all data management needs. Talend offers open, innovative and powerful solutions, used primarily for operational data integration, ETL, data profiling and cleansing, and MDM.

XWiki

<u>About the Demo:</u> The open source solution XWiki is a professional wiki geared towards corporate use. It combines the classical features (rollback, comments, editing...) and professional ones (import Office, structured data management...). Not only it allows to create, organize and share documents easily, but also to create applications on top of the wiki (like the meeting manager).

<u>About the company:</u> XWiki SAS is a French company created in 2004 that provides services around the professional open source collaboration solution (license LGPL) XWiki. XWiki has today over 100 customer references, and thousands of business users in France and worldwide (AFP, EADS, EMC, JC Decaux, Curriki...).

The Demo Cup 2010

The Demo Cup has been recognized as an important showcase and deal-making forum in Europe and worldwide. It is the launchpad for innovative Open Source technologies, products and services. The Open Innovation Awards 2010 have been awarded to the 3 top best presenters at the Demo Cup live demonstrations contest. The contest was open to all Open Source projects and solutions getting ready for commercial launch or already on the market.

The Jury

The Demo Cup Jury includes investors, entrepreneurs, Open Source managers from leading IT services companies, and consultants; all of them experts in Open Source and innovation: Larry Augustin (SugarCRM), Jean-François Caenen (Capgemini), Jean-Marie Chauvet (LC Capital), Stefane Fermigier (Nuxeo and Chairman of the Open Software Group at the European competitive cluster Systematic), Jean-François Gallouin (Via Innovation), Roberto Galopini (consultant), Thierry Koerlen (Ulteo), Jean-Noel Olivier (Accenture), Bruno Pinna (Bull), Alain Revah (Internet Venture).

About the Open World Forum

The Open World Forum is the leading global summit meeting bringing together decision-makers and communities to cross-fertilize open digital technological, economic and social initiatives. At the very heart of the Free/Open Source revolution, the event was founded in 2008 and now takes place every year in Paris, with over 140 speakers from 40 countries, an international audience of 1,500 delegates and some forty seminars, workshops and think-tanks. Organized by a vast network of partners, including the leading Free/Open Source communities and main global players from the IT world, the Open World Forum is the definitive event for discovering the latest trends in open computing. As a result, it is a unique opportunity to share ideas and best practice with visionary thinkers, entrepreneurs and leaders of the top international Free/Open Source communities and to network with technology gurus, CxOs, analysts, CIOs, researchers, politicians and investors from six continents. The Open World Forum is being run this year by the Systematic competitiveness cluster, in partnership with Cap Digital and the European QualiPSo consortium. Some 70% of the world's leading information technology companies are involved in the Forum as partners and participants.

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