

OpenSAF in Commercial Deployment

High availability middleware open source project reaches key milestone in less than two years

Danville, CA February 9, 2010 – The OpenSAF Foundation, the not-for-profit organization supporting the OpenSAF open source high availability middleware projects, today announced that Ericsson has deployed the OpenSAF technology in carrier networks. This represents the first public statement by a major equipment manufacturer on commercial adoption, development and deployment of OpenSAF and demonstrates the quality and maturity of the open source project.

“The commercial deployment of OpenSAF in the Ericsson Composition Engine product, which is a bridge between today’s IN and the next-generation IMS/IP networks for service creation and execution, represents the next stage of evolution in our strategy for server solutions based on COTS and open standards” said Frans de Rooij, Strategic Product Manager for IN/VAS platforms, Service Delivery & Provisioning, Business Unit Multimedia at Ericsson. “This clearly shows our trust in the OpenSAF project and its quality.”

“Open standards and open source are a key part of Ericsson’s overall strategy. Ericsson has been involved with the OpenSAF project from the beginning” said Håkan Eriksson, Group CTO and President Ericsson Silicon Valley at Ericsson. “We are very happy to see that the OpenSAF community is growing and this gives us confidence that the industrial ecosystem around OpenSAF is taking off.”

Since its launch in January 2008, the OpenSAF community has released two major versions of the code base, incorporating over 200 significant contributions, with hundreds of downloads of the releases. The number of developers and users is growing continuously and the high availability software and systems expertise within the project is extremely high, resulting in a level of quality required to deploy in carrier networks.

“Ericsson’s commitment to OpenSAF in their commercial products is significant” said Alan Meyer, President of the OpenSAF Foundation. “Multiple other companies are also contributing to the OpenSAF code base as well as using OpenSAF for commercial developments. Like Ericsson, many of these applications are in communication networks, and we anticipate further public success stories in the future”.

The current release of OpenSAF R3.0 is available from the developer’s website <http://devel.opensaf.org>, along with the latest beta versions for release R4.0. The next major release of OpenSAF is scheduled for the 2nd quarter of 2010. More information on the OpenSAF project, the OpenSAF Foundation and how to get involved can be found at <http://www.opensaf.org>

About OpenSAF

OpenSAF™ is an open source community with projects focused on high availability middleware. The goal of OpenSAF projects is to develop HA middleware that is consistent with the Service Availability™ Forum (SA Forum™) specifications. OpenSAF is freely available to anyone under the LGPLv2.1 and anyone may contribute to the code base. The OpenSAF Foundation is a not-for-profit organization established by leading communications and computing companies to facilitate the work of the OpenSAF project and to accelerate the adoption of OpenSAF in commercial products. Learn more about the OpenSAF Foundation at <http://www.opensaf.org>

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