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## Announcements:

### [IONA Strengthens Leadership in Distributed SOA with Latest Release of ARTIX](#)

DUBLIN, Ireland & WALTHAM, Mass. – June 11, 2007

IONA Technologies (NASDAQ: IONA), a world leader in distributed service-oriented architecture (SOA) infrastructure solutions for performance-demanding IT environments, today announced both **the introduction of Artix Data Services** and significant performance enhancements and developer productivity gains across Artix, the **company's advanced SOA infrastructure suite**. IONA Artix is designed to provide Global 2000 customers with the technology required to successfully deploy a distributed SOA and is further differentiated by its ability to be implemented incrementally, without requiring a centralized, monolithic software stack.



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#### **About IONA Artix**

IONA Artix is a suite of advanced SOA infrastructure products that enables customers to deploy SOA in a truly distributed manner. Featuring componentized, technology-neutral SOA infrastructure products that work together or independently, IONA Artix allows customers unprecedented flexibility in SOA adoption. The suite includes Artix Registry/Repository, Artix ESB, Artix Orchestration, Artix Data Services, Artix Mainframe, Artix SOA Works (tooling) and technology from our partners such as SOA Management from AmberPoint. IONA Artix is based on a lightweight, microkernel architecture that provides organizations with the ability to incrementally adopt SOA on their own terms, one step at a time.

#### **About IONA**

For more than a decade, IONA Technologies (NASDAQ: IONA) has been a world leader in delivering high-performance integration solutions for Global 2000 IT environments. IONA pioneered standards-based integration with its CORBA-based Orbix products. IONA's Artix, an advanced SOA infrastructure suite enables customers to leverage service-oriented architecture to streamline and modernize IT environments. The Celtix family of open source distributed SOA infrastructure products allows customers to take advantage of the economic benefits associated with the use of open source software.

IONA is headquartered in Dublin, Ireland, with U.S. headquarters in Waltham, Massachusetts and offices worldwide. For additional information about IONA, visit our Web site at <http://www.iona.com>.

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### **IONA Expands Customers' Open Source SOA Choices**



## DUBLIN, Ireland & WALTHAM, Mass. – July 9, 2007

IONA Technologies (NASDAQ: IONA) is a world leader in distributed service-oriented architecture (SOA) infrastructure solutions for performance-demanding IT environments. The Company today announced a range of new offerings designed to deliver the enterprise-quality products, services and support programs, and opportunities for community participation required to successfully incorporate open source technology into strategic SOA deployments.

"IONA is making it safe for enterprises to adopt open source ESBs and to take advantage of the flexibility and capacity for innovation open source offers," said Larry Alston, general manager, open source, IONA.

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## **IONA'S Leadership Recognized by Current Analysis**

### DUBLIN, Ireland & WALTHAM, Mass. – July 23, 2007

IONA Technologies (NASDAQ: IONA) a world leader in distributed service-oriented architecture (SOA) infrastructure solutions for performance-demanding IT environments was recognized by leading industry analyst firm Current Analysis as a tier-1 application infrastructure vendor with positive vision and momentum. In a Company Assessment report published July 11, 2007, Current Analysis acknowledged the positive impact on IONA and the market that resulted from the company's recent acquisitions of C24 ([press release March 6, 2007](#)) and LogicBlaze ([press release April 10, 2007](#)), and the introduction of Artix Registry/Repository ([press release March 26, 2007](#)), Artix 5 ([press release June 11, 2007](#)), and FUSE ([press release July 9, 2007](#)).

According to the report, Current Analysis is, "Taking a positive stance on IONA as an application infrastructure provider as it seeks to capitalize upon its open source efforts and expand its Artix product family through acquisition and internal development."

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## **Calling All Conference Bag Groupies and Collectors! Clean Out Your Closet for a Cause!**

Recently, Richard Burk, chief architect of the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB), hosted a "BYOB" (Bring Your Own Bag) happy hour program at the Sheraton Premier Hotel at Tysons

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Corner in Vienna, Virginia. The event was designed to collect backpacks, book bags, ballpoint pens, and other contributions while raising awareness of the educational and developmental challenges Ugandan children face in one of the world's poorest countries. Such simple items as backpacks and book bags not only help children keep their supplies safe to and from school, but give them a better feeling of self worth knowing that people they have never met are eager to support them in any way possible.

More than 1,600 bags were collected for the children who attend Arlington Academy of Hope's school in Bumwalukani village, and the 10 local schools it supports in Uganda. John Wanda, AAH's founder and president, attended the event and provided a brief update on the organization's activities and future plans for new scholarships, a library, and a computer center.

The Arlington Academy of Hope (AAH) ([www.arlingtonacademyofhope.org](http://www.arlingtonacademyofhope.org)) is a volunteer, non-profit organization based in the United States that helps children in rural Uganda to reach their full potential. By creating model schools and medical clinics, AAH provides education and healthcare programs, local development opportunities, and community outreach to improve the quality of life and transform poor villages into self-sustaining communities. AAH does this by engaging a caring community of volunteers, child sponsors, donors, partners and friends in the United States, Uganda and throughout the world.

When we at ConVurge heard about this effort, we were intrigued to see if this is something our readers can contribute to. A small thing like a conference bag can do wonders for a child's education. As we debated the issue, we thought, why limit it to conference bags? Maybe some of our readers have old laptops they wish to donate, or projectors, or other IT equipment. This organization has made such tremendous change in its three years of existence. Imagine what it can do if it had the resources to implement its vision? If you have a conference bag or IT equipment you wish to donate, you can drop it off at our offices at 1701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC.

Readers who may not have a conference bag or laptop can do something even better. They can donate to the program through the Combined Federal Campaign. AAH's number is 11640 – listed as Arlington Academy of Hope under the Aid for Africa Federation. A simple donation, but one that can make a real difference in the world. Please visit the organization's website at [www.arlingtonacademyofhope.org](http://www.arlingtonacademyofhope.org) for details on their activities. You can also contact the organization's president and founder at [jwanda@comcast.net](mailto:jwanda@comcast.net) for information on volunteer opportunities, both here and at their school in Uganda.

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## **Industry News:**

### **Share and Share Alike**

Cisco Systems, EMC, Microsoft and three smaller technology vendors have introduced a platform built on their products that facilitates the secure sharing of sensitive information among federal agencies. The Secure Information Sharing Architecture (SISA) was created to work across previously isolated systems. The architecture, which addresses a problem that's confounded the government for years, "has the potential of eliminating the technological barriers to information sharing," because it gives agencies a simple and effective way to enforce policy requirements for sharing sensitive data, said Grace Mastalli, former director of the information sharing and collaboration office at the Homeland Security Department.

### **Neophyte Malware**

Advances in computer technology have been so rapid that you don't have to look far back to find much ballyhooed systems that seem quaint today — such as the lightning-fast 33 MHz PCs for only \$3,000 or so (1991). Likewise, computer virus alerts of old can leave one with a nostalgic feeling, particularly when considered against the virulent varmints now lurking in cyberspace.

### **The Price of Functionality**

Web 2.0 is the new big thing on the Internet, but the tools used to enhance Web sites also leave a

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new crop of vulnerabilities, many of them unforeseen by developers. For all the innovation in software and hardware, the same old battles remain when functionality outstrips security. "There really isn't anything new in security," said Bill Hoffman, lead researcher at SPI Dynamics, at the recent Black Hat Briefings information technology security conference in Las Vegas. "Anyone who says there is is lying."

### IT Security: Too Big for Government

Information technology security and information assurance are becoming too critical, too big and too complex a problem for the government to handle by itself, according to two security experts. But they disagree on how well government and industry are responding to the need for greater cooperation to improve cybersecurity.

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### You are Naked Without It

An antivirus program used to be like an insurance policy on your car: something that came in handy should you have an accident. But as the amount of malicious code has increased, antivirus has become more like oil in your engine. Your computer might run a little ways without it, but it won't get far.

### Better to be Secure, or to Feel Secure?

A recent customer survey by Patchlink of 250 chief information officers and chief information security officers contained some good news: 99 percent of respondents said they feel more secure this year than last. This is an increase from 92 percent who said they felt more secure last year than the year before. This is an unexpected item, considering the gloom and doom that generally accompanies information technology security assessments; most trends seem to indicate that we're on a highway to hell.

### Call to Order

Webcasting is no longer a novelty for eggheads and kids showing off exploding Pepsi bottles. It's starting to catch the attention of municipal governments as a way to increase transparency and reach more citizens. In fact, New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer issued an executive order in January requiring that all public meetings be made available by Webcast over the Internet by this summer.

### Flight Plan for Security

The information technology security community is on the losing side of a lopsided battle to secure the increasingly wild and wooly cyberspace, a professor who combines international affairs and computer science told a Washington audience last week. The odds in the struggle have favored the bad guys, who focus on exploiting what others create, said Seymour Goodman, of the Georgia Institute of Technology.

It's not just data leakage anymore...



### States Apply Sensors to Bridge Conditions

The Interstate 35 eight-lane bridge in Minneapolis that collapsed earlier this month had been showing signs of fatigue for several years, although the bridge did routinely pass safety checks. After the collapse, inspectors admitted that there are limits to today's safety inspection techniques. Now the research and development community is looking into the idea of embedding sensors within the bridges themselves. Such sensor units would not act as last-minute alarms but would let

inspectors know how the material is holding up after years of use.

### **Craig Schmugar | Vulnerabilities 2.0**

Since becoming a threat researcher for McAfee's Avert Labs in 2000, Craig Schmugar has analyzed malicious software and potentially unwanted programs, developed virus definition files, created virus descriptions, and invented antivirus-related technologies. He has discovered and named hundreds of viruses and Trojans, including the infamous Mydoom and Sasser. During the past few years, Schmugar has seen the trend in information technology security threats shift from high-profile, high-volume attacks to more targeted, under-the-radar attacks, while motivation has shifted from bragging rights to financial gain. Although the profile of the attacks may be lower, the stakes continue to grow, and security administrators are finding that traditional signature-based tools no longer are adequate for protecting networks and applications.



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## **Solution Provider News:**

### **JDSU Signs Contract for Performance Management Software from SumTotal**

SumTotal Systems Inc., a global provider of talent and learning management solutions, has signed a contract to provide 7,000 employees at Milpitas, Calif.-based JDSU (an enabler of broadband and optical innovation) with TotalPerformance, software that sets and analyzes employee goals, develops succession plans, identifies high-performing workers and automates performance appraisals.

### **HCI, HCR Software Solutions Team Up to Advance Strategic Talent Management**

The Human Capital Institute (HCI), a global professional association and educator in talent management strategies, and HCR Software Solutions, developers of compensation and performance management applications that help organizations better align employee performance with overall business objectives, have announced that HCR Software Solutions will support HCI initiatives as a global underwriter, helping bring the latest human capital education, metrics, and tools to leading corporations.



## GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS

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In addition to cost savings, the NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES solution allows all of these teams to change mission and direction of travel in real time. In the current operational mode, this would require the repositioning of multiple vehicles and personnel; in many cases leaving gaps in security during the relocation. With the NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES solution, the teams simply take their capabilities with them as they move with no disruption to their data, voice or video flow while under way.

These are not isolated needs; First Responders, Quick Reaction Teams, Security Details and Tactical Forces all share these requirements. The ability to communicate, see-ahead and share information are the keys to a successful mission.

The NEW ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES solution is currently being evaluated by several Government agencies.

**For more information please contact: [NETinfo@newenergywifi.com](mailto:NETinfo@newenergywifi.com)**

### **AeroScout Launches T3 Series WiFi-Based Active RFID Tag**

AeroScout has developed a new RFID tag that consumes less power and has advanced capabilities. The AeroScout T3 WiFi-based tag boasts "seamless indoor and outdoor reliability," "choke point" detection capabilities, and tamper proofing mechanisms for theft prevention.

### **WildPackets Launches Mobile Spectrum Analysis Tool**

WildPackets has released OmniSpectrum v3.1, a mobile spectrum analysis solution that enables network engineers to troubleshoot RF interference problems with WLANs. The tool features a new signal-to-noise ratio chart, instant replay, interference severity assessments and a "friend" or "foe" identification of 802.11 assets. It also can identify co-channel interference. OmniSpectrum runs on a standard Windows laptop.

### **Symantec Offers PC-Level Security and Data Protection for Windows Mobile Devices**

Symantec has launched a mobile-security suite for Windows Mobile devices that offers the same level of security for handhelds as is standard for PCs. Symantec Mobile Security Suite 5.0 includes antivirus, data encryption and firewall protection, as well as an enterprise management console for IT administrators. The software suite also features an add-on to let users connect to corporate networks through IPSec VPN tunnels, and network access control so IT administrators can make sure that only the right devices are connecting to the corporate network. Administrators can use the suite to enable or disable Bluetooth, WiFi and device syncing, and to verify whether the device's security applications have been tampered with.

### **SAIC, Northrop divvy up Amsec**

SAIC announced that it has completed the restructuring of Amsec LLC, formerly co-owned by SAIC and Northrop Grumman Corp.



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## Awarded Contracts:

### **Army Taps AT&T for Fort Bliss Data Network Update**

The Army has awarded AT&T Government Solutions a four-year contract worth as much as \$9.8 million to build a high-speed data network at its base at Fort Bliss, Texas. Under the contract, AT&T will provide design, engineering, installation and testing services for the base's new 10 Gigabit Ethernet backbone network, in addition to providing and securing network equipment.

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Parham Eftekhari  
Director of Research & Curriculum Development, ConVurge:

### **Q: What are the current challenges state CIO's face in garnering buy-in for teleworking employees?**

Dr. Lenny Superville, Ph.D.  
Chief Information Officer  
North Carolina's Office of the State Auditor

**A: State CIO's said the costs of sustaining the telecommuter and ensuring adequate computer and data security have limited the extent of telework programs. Moreover, the work the telecommuters perform and the hardware and software tools they use have a dramatic impact on setting up automated solutions. Several reports urge state CIO's to make sure their departments have the telecommunication infrastructure to support a secure and cost effective telework program. But, all in all, the three main obstacles to teleworking were system performance, access to equipment and funding.**

To ask the Dr. and get your questions posted with his answers, please email: [parhame@convurge.org](mailto:parhame@convurge.org). Your question can be anonymous and asked by ConVurge or we can post your name, title, organization - please specify preference.

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A solid security strategy should combine several key elements which, when brought together, create a holistic approach to security. Overall, the ultimate goal of an organization's security plan should be to effectively use technology and management to minimize risk. The in-depth research derived content for SecureGOV 2007 will focus on key focus areas and topics which will educate government on achieving this goal.

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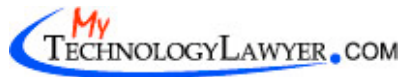
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