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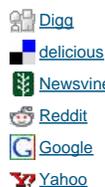
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Prentice Hall Announces Publication of *SOA Design Patterns* and SOAPatterns.org Community Site

First-ever Catalog of Design Patterns for Service-Oriented Architecture and Service-Orientation; Culmination of 3-Year Community Participation and Review

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Prentice Hall today announced the publication of *SOA Design Patterns,* an innovative catalog of 85 design patterns for service-oriented architecture and service-orientation that documents the most proven and successful design techniques for succeeding with modern-day SOA. In conjunction with the release of the book, the new **SOAPatterns.org** (www.soapatterns.org) community site has been launched, providing an open forum for the on-going development and expansion of the pattern catalog.

Thomas Erl, the world's top-selling SOA author and series editor of *The Prentice Hall Service-Oriented Computing Series from Thomas Erl*, spearheaded the community effort behind the creation of *SOA Design Patterns*. In development for over three years, the catalog has been subjected to comprehensive reviews by hundreds of industry professionals, employed by many of the world's leading technology companies. For a complete list of reviewer and contributor acknowledgments, please visit: http://www.soapatterns.org/acknowledgements.asp

In support of the on-going expansion of the SOA design patterns catalog, the **SOAPatterns.org** site launched in coordination with the book provides an open forum for the development and review of upcoming candidate patterns. Members of the SOA and patterns communities are welcome to contribute, review, and use the content on this site and can submit their own candidate patterns. Of the 20 candidate patterns currently published at SOAPatterns.org, some notable additions are the five REST-inspired patterns recently contributed by authors including Raj Balasubramanian, co-author of the upcoming book *"SOA with REST."*(Prentice Hall)

SOA Design Patterns received enthusiastic participation throughout IT communities. Contributors included David Chappell and Clemens Utschig from Oracle, Mark Little from Red Hat, and Jason Hogg from Microsoft. Furthermore, Dennis Wisnosky, Chief Architect and Chief Technical Officer, Office of the Chief Management Officer in the U.S. Department of Defense, contributed a chapter that explains how these design patterns (together with the design principles originally documented in Erl's previous book, *SOA Principles of Service Design*), are being successfully applied within the U.S. Department of Defense as part of their SOA adoption initiatives.

In addition to the adoption of Erl's patterns and principles by several colleges and universities, this book, along with other series titles, such as the recently released *Web Service Contract Design & Versioning for SOA,* have been made part of the official curriculum for the industry-recognized SOA Certified Professional (SOACP) education program from SOASchool.com.

"The release of this book is a testament to the state of maturation that service-oriented computing, as a distinct distributed computing platform, has attained," said Erl. "As modern services-based technologies continue to reach their own respective stages of maturity, the SOA design pattern catalog will continue to expand in order to encompass more specialized design practices and techniques."

The *SOA Design Patterns* manuscript was also reviewed by distinguished members of the patterns community, such as Grady Booch, Martin Fowler, and Ralph Johnson, one of the original members of the Gang of Four. Grady Booch, IBM Fellow and co-developer of the Unified Modeling Language (UML), provided the foreword for the book, in which he states: *"SOA Design Patterns is an important contribution to the literature and practice of building and delivering quality software-intensive systems."*

In order to make the patterns broadly accessible to IT professionals, a series of articles will be published on a weekly basis, with each article providing an original, summarized description of one pattern. The first article is scheduled for mid-January and the series will then continue for the following 85 weeks, into 2010. The articles will be published on www.informit.com and will be made available for syndication in third-party publications.

Online Resources:

The official website for *SOA Design Patterns* is www.soapatterns.com. More information about other series titles is available at www.soabooks.com.

Additional related resource sites include: www.whatissoa.com, www.soamag.com, www.soaprinciples.com, and the aforementioned www.soapatterns.org.

Additional SOA resources from Pearson Education are available here: http://www.informit.com/store/browse.aspx?st=60368

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