

DATAPOWER XML INTEGRATION APPLIANCE SELECTED AS A

The XI50 XML Integration Appliance Awarded Silver Product of the Year for Integration and Extends the Unrivaled Independent Validation for DataPower's XML-aware Networking Strategy

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--January 18th, 2005-- DataPower, the original creator and leading provider of intelligent XML-Aware Network (XAN) infrastructure, announced today that the XI50 XML Integration ApplianceTM, its third and latest product, has followed the award-winning standard set by the earlier products, and won the Silver in the Integration category for Product of the Year.

The 2004 annual Products of Year Awards were independently judged by the editorial staff at SearchWebservices along with a team of users, industry experts, analysts, and consultants. The XI50's win augments the unmatched third-party validation and recognition DataPower has received for its XML-aware networking vision that began in 1999. The Web services Awards span four product categories and single out 12 products enterprise IT professionals should consider adding to their "A" lists of products. The judges evaluated more than 400 products and selected the winners based on seven criteria, including:

- Innovation Highlighting XI50's Universal Transformation Engine performing any-to-any translation between text, binary, legacy and XML data formats. It's based on DataPower's patent-pending **DataGlue**TM technology which uses a fully declarative, metadata-based approach and reduces the need for adapters. The XI50 also provides security and routing capability for an all-in-one solution for mainframe XML enablement, wirespeed enterprise message buses, and secure enterprise application integration.
- **Performance** Only DataPower has patented wirespeed performance using sophisticated algorithms for processing XML and Web service security functionality.
- Ease of integration into existing environments With its leading "Integration for Management" strategy, DataPower leads the industry with the largest ecosystem of partners and deepest integration with existing application, security, identity management and networking infrastructure vendors including RSA Security, Computer Associates, Oblix, IBM, Tivoli, Eclipse, Sun Microsystems, Microsoft, HP, Netegrity, F5, Progress Software, Altova, Blue Titan, Grand Central, Contivo, SAIC, Quadrasis, Redline and Cyclone Commerce.
- Ease of use and manageability DataPower's"Ease of Use" was specifically identified by the award judges who said, "This product scored particularly high in the ease-of-use category." The judges further noted that one end-user said, "As for the transition, it was painless. We were up and running in less than a day." This demonstrates the unique DataPower Agility (DA) Architecture, which allows enterprises to quickly deploy the XS40 in a complex environment, and adapt to changing needs. Featured is the easy-to-use GUI, which provides drag and drop

services and wizards for XML filtering, signing, verification, validation, encryption, decryption, transformation and routing configuration and administration; and configuration features such as a SOAP management interface, and IDE integration including Eclipse support.

- **Functionality** The XI50 has a full set of features to address enterprises integration needs, including comprehensive format support, transport agnosticism, and high-end security features: Any-to-any translation between disparate data formats, including legacy EDI, COBOL, ASN.1 and the newer ACORD and ebXML; a wide range of popular transport protocols, including HTTP, MQ Series, FTP and JMS, SSL; and wirespeed XML Web service security processing for XML firewall, XDoS protection, SOAP filtering, access control, XML schema validation, field level digital signatures and XML encryption, XML routing, and service virtualization.
- **Value** As exemplified by deployments of the XI50 by leading Global 1000 companies. DataPower's Global 1000 Customers include five of the top 10 financial services companies.

"DataPower is proud to see the XI50 building on the track record of our earlier products to win the Silver award for Product of the Year in the Integration category," said Bill Tao, Vice President of Engineering at DataPower. "The XI50 won because it addresses urgent needs faced by companies that want to take advantage of the latest XML Web services technology, but has large investment in binary or legacy applications. The XI50 provides the universal translation that makes the architectural transformation not only possible but easy, and is an integral part of our Application-Oriented Networking strategy."

In associated news, <u>The DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway[™]</u> was also selected as Web Services Security Product of the Year (See: <u>DataPower Extends its Position as Most</u> <u>Decorated XML-Aware Networking Company with Latest "Web Services Security</u> <u>Product of the Year" Award</u>) and DataPower is the only vendor to have won "Product of the Year" awards in separate categories. These latest accolades further extends DataPower's lead as the most decorated XML-aware networking company, with awards that include winner of the Well-Connected Infrastructure Product of the Year, the only XML-aware networking vendor selected for two years running as a finalist for the Well-Connected award; winner of the InfoWorld Media Group "Excellent" award; selection as a finalist for Best of Interop Awards for N+I 2004 Las Vegas; selection as Top Networking Company by VentureWire, and inclusion in the AlwaysOn Top 100 and SD Times 100 lists.

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DataPower provides enterprises with intelligent XML-Aware network infrastructure to ensure unparalleled performance, security and manageability of next-generation applications and XML Web Services. DataPower's patented XML Generation Three (XG3TM) technology powers the industry's first wire-speed XML-aware networking devices that provide immediate return on technology investments while streamlining application deployments. Founded in 1999, DataPower is privately held and based in Cambridge, MA. For more information about DataPower Technology, please contact 617-864-0455 or visit <u>www.datapower.com</u>

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