

Press Release

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Eclipse Foundation member companies announce initiative to provide solution for automated AJAX application testing

BREDEX and EclipseSource have agreed to implement the ARIA standard in their products

BREDEX GmbH and EclipseSource are pleased to announce their collaboration in the field of automated testing for AJAX and RAP applications. EclipseSource is the company behind the Rich Ajax Platform (RAP), a platform for creating rich web applications, and BREDEX GmbH is the manufacturer of the automated test tool GUIDancer and its Eclipse Open Source counterpart Jubula. The two companies have agreed to implement support for the ARIA standard (Accessible Rich Internet Applications) in their products, thus making RAP applications testable by GUIDancer.

ARIA was implemented by the Web Accessibility Initiative as a means of making modern, AJAX-enabled websites and web applications accessible to customers with disabilities. By offering a mechanism to allow screen readers to recognize components on the screen, ARIA also paves the way for improved component recognition for various web technologies.

“Whereas design for testability is a common theme in desktop applications, web developers have not previously had standard methods available to simplify or directly enable automated testing” said Achim Lörke, a Managing Director at BREDEX GmbH. “By combining BREDEX’s expertise in testing with EclipseSource’s experience and competence in web and desktop development, we are pleased to be able to integrate the ARIA standard into the products of both companies to offer improved testability in the web and RAP domain.”

Jochen Krause, Managing Director of EclipseSource, added “With AJAX apps becoming mainstream for large enterprises and in the public sector, both Accessibility and Automated GUI Testing become critical success factors. Our partnership with BREDEX helps us to stay on the forefront of AJAX technologies.”

“This is a great example of the synergies within the Eclipse Ecosystem,” said Ralph Mueller, Director of the Eclipse European Ecosystem. “The community leaders have the skills and vision, and Eclipse technologies provide a sound basis for open innovation.”

The development teams of both companies will be working on a unified solution over the coming months, and plan to present results of their work at EclipseCon 2012 in Reston, VA.

About BREDEX GmbH

Since 1987, BREDEX GmbH has been providing high quality information technology services in the areas of consultancy, analysis and design, software development, quality assurance and training. Based in Braunschweig, the company has a history of long term customer satisfaction and a focus on forward thinking, developing individual solutions that bring future standards to current project needs.

BREDEX is a strategic member of the Eclipse Foundation and is the company behind the Eclipse Jubula Project, a powerful and cost effective automatic test tool for Java and HTML applications. BREDEX also develops GUIDancer, a tool based on Jubula with added value and comfort for testers and test managers.

For more information: www.bredexsw.com.

About EclipseSource Incorporated

EclipseSource brings together recognized experts from key Eclipse projects and delivers the ability to meet the demanding technical requirements of commercial adopters. EclipseSource provides a complete range of products and services from fundamental technology development, production and developer support, training and mentoring to commercial management and provisioning solutions.

With leadership roles in over ten key Eclipse projects, EclipseSource provides coverage for all essential Eclipse runtime technology under one roof. The organization has staff in North America and Europe and a truly global customer base ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to individual developers.

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