MontaVista Software and Movial Announce Joint Solution for Developers of Mobile Devices and Consumer Electronics Products

Embedded Linux operating system combines with Movial IXS, helping manufacturers accelerate development of next-generation mobile applications

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — November 19, 2007 — MontaVista Software, Inc., the leading provider of Linux® for intelligent devices and communications infrastructure, and Movial, the company that inspires rich, intuitive Internet experiences, today announced a joint solution to accelerate the development cycle and unleash design creativity for developers of consumer electronics and mobile devices. The new joint solution will be optimized for the ARM architecture.

The new solution will help development teams deliver new products quickly with an integrated, tested, and certified software stack from MontaVista and Movial. The new joint solution will enable design teams to move rapidly from design concept to proof-of-concept to prototype and full-scale production, accelerating time-to-market for a new product by up to six months. To reduce the complexity of obtaining support from multiple vendors, MontaVista and Movial have agreed to support each others’ portion of the joint solution, so a customer can choose to obtain single-source support for the entire solution from either company.

The joint solution includes the MontaVista embedded Linux operating system, MontaVista DevRocket development tools, and the Movial Internet Experience Suite (IXS) to provide custom-branded user interfaces that seamlessly combine Internet browsing, Internet communications, media consumption, and other functionalities needed in mobile devices. The pre-integrated software stack reduces risk for developers while still maintaining the traditional flexibility of Linux systems. The MontaVista-Movial solution gives user interface engineers the framework to be innovative, to push the design envelope, and to test ideas during design phases.

“Connected mobile devices are increasingly becoming complex multi-functional platforms, including rich networking and multimedia capabilities. The combination of Movial’s expertise in delivering rich user experiences together with MontaVista’s expertise in developing optimized embedded Linux solutions will enable manufacturers to bring new connected devices to market more rapidly and drive innovation.” said Keith Clarke, vice president of technical marketing, ARM.

“Movial is an important force in the mobile device industry, enabling the world’s top handset manufacturers to provide distinctive user experiences,” said Dan Cauchy, director of marketing for carrier and mobile products of MontaVista Software. “Movial has proven that IXS enables developers to provide a creative, satisfying mobile Internet experience, so integrating IXS with MontaVista Linux will arm developers with a top-to-bottom stack for the rapid development of creative new products.”

“MontaVista embedded Linux powers tens of millions of mobile devices,” said Tomi Rauste, president of Movial Creative Technologies. “By pre-integrating Movial IXS with MontaVista's mobile operating system and Scratchbox with DevRocket mobile development tools,
manufacturers now have a low-risk way to bring differentiated and compelling connected devices to market quickly."

The joint solution will be available in the first quarter of 2008 based on MontaVista Mobilinux 5.0 running on the Texas Instruments OMAP platform, and will be enabled on MontaVista Linux Professional Edition later in 2008. MontaVista and Movial will demonstrate the joint solution at the 2008 International CES in Las Vegas January 7-10, 2008 and at the Mobile World Congress (formerly 3GSM) in Barcelona February 11-14.

About MontaVista Software

MontaVista Software, Inc. is the leading provider of Linux for intelligent devices and telecommunications infrastructure. MontaVista delivers commercial-quality Linux operating systems, time-saving development tools, expert support, and design and migration services. MontaVista has more than 400 partners, and thousands of companies use MontaVista embedded Linux to add functionality, increase reliability, reduce costs, and accelerate product development. MontaVista has offices in 15 countries. For more information, please visit www.mvista.com

About Movial

Movial inspires rich, intuitive Internet experiences for companies embracing transformational technologies. Leveraging its deep expertise in Internet, Linux and mobile devices, Movial seamlessly enables its customers to deliver richer user experiences to millions of people on PCs and on mobile devices. Movial’s device creation, Internet communications applications and design for digital services are generating revenue for industry leaders like ARM, Nokia, Orange, Telefónica, and TMN. By delivering highly intuitive and compelling user experiences, Movial has become the trusted source for enriching the way people interact everyday. For more information, visit http://www.movial.com

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