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## JBoss, Inc. Kicks Off First Annual JBoss World 2005 User Conference and Exhibition

*Inaugural Event Brings Together Growing JBoss Community to Exchange Expertise on  
Deploying Open Source Middleware in the Enterprise*

**JBoss WORLD—ATLANTA—March 1, 2005**—JBoss®, Inc., the Professional Open Source company, today kicks off its inaugural user conference and exhibition, JBoss World 2005. The two-day event brings together the rapidly growing JBoss community, which includes customers, partners, contributors and core developers. Highlights include keynote addresses from executives at Computer Associates, HP, Novell and Unisys, as well as customer presentations from companies such as Amazon, Starwood Hotels and E-Loan, which demonstrate that Professional Open Source software is safe and ready for the enterprise.

Marc Fleury, founder, chairman and CEO of JBoss, commented, “The JBoss community has helped grow our technology and business over the last four years, so it is with great pleasure that we welcome them to JBoss World 2005. It’s an event planned by the JBoss community for the JBoss community. We anticipate this conference and expo to be the first of many more to come in the years ahead as we build out an ecosystem around the JBoss Professional Open Source model.”

JBoss World 2005 is the culmination of a highly successful year in which the company made significant gains in its revenue and its customer and partner base. With many customers and partners in attendance at the show, JBoss also announced:

- > **JBoss Open Source Federation** – In response to interest from its community, JBoss is establishing the JBoss Open Source Federation, which will extend the JBoss Professional Open Source methodology to individuals, companies and sponsors to enable new and existing open source projects to commercialize and scale for the enterprise. The initiative will stimulate growth of an ecosystem of software and services around the JBoss Enterprise Middleware System (JEMS), with JBoss, Inc. delivering value-added services.

- > **JBoss Network™** – To enhance support services delivery to its growing customer base, JBoss introduced the JBoss Network, which provides a single portal from which customers can report problems and receive patches. Platinum, gold and silver-level service and support packages from JBoss, Inc. will provide access to the JBoss Network. It will be rolled out across the JBoss customer base, and will eventually be integrated with the JBoss Open Source Federation to provide a one-stop support platform for JEMS and all related technologies.
  
- > **Hibernate 3.0** – The first major release of Hibernate since it joined JBoss, the new version features innovative functionality not available in today's object/relational mapping (ORM) tools. With more than half a million downloads, Hibernate was already the most popular open source Java persistence framework. Now, with resources, technology direction, core development and support services from JBoss, the Hibernate project has reached a new growth curve in technology and adoption. Hibernate 3.0 supports the latest Enterprise Java Beans 3.0 (EJB3) draft specification and provides a superset of the POJO (plain old Java object) persistence and annotations capabilities described by this emerging new specification.

#### **About JBoss, Inc.**

Through its Professional Open Source model, JBoss, Inc. is making open source a safe choice for the enterprise. JBoss provides resources, technology direction and core development for innovative open source projects and stands behind them with enterprise-grade support and services. These projects include JBoss Application Server, Hibernate, JBoss jBPM, JBoss Eclipse IDE and Apache Jakarta Tomcat, which are core components of the JBoss Enterprise Middleware System (JEMS). Companies like Corporate Express, La Quinta Inns and Nielsen Media Research rely on JEMS for mission-critical enterprise applications. Partners who embed or bundle JEMS and resell JBoss services include Computer Associates, HP, Novell and Unisys. JBoss has headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. and Neuchâtel, Switzerland. For additional information, please visit [www.jboss.com](http://www.jboss.com).

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