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Gatespace Launches Carrier-Grade System for Deploying and Managing Broadband Services

Gatespace's e-Services system is the first commercially available system to provide a carrier-grade, scalable system for operators and service providers entering the broadband managed-services market.

Göteborg, Sweden – May 15, 2002 – Gatespace, a leading provider of managed services systems for broadband operators and telematics system developers, announced today that it is launching its e-Services system 1.3 for broadband operators and service providers. Earlier this year, Gatespace acquired the e-Services Venture from Ericsson, and the acquired Ericsson products have now been fully integrated with Gatespace's existing managed services solutions for broadband and telematics.

Gatespace is delivering complete e-Services systems for field trials or deployment in the residential or enterprise broadband markets. Gatespace e-Services for the residential market include a Home Network/Firewall e-Service, an e-Tuner Service for MP3 music distribution, and a Home Automation e-Service. Their enterprise e-Service is an integrated VPN/Firewall services targeted for telecommuting and remote workers.

Staffan Truvé, CEO for Gatespace said, "Carriers and operators are looking for ways to increase broadband penetration while at the same time reduce their O&M costs. Our solution gives operators the ability to realize benefits from both. By offering services such as a home network and firewall service or a VPN and firewall service, they can differentiate their product from other DSL or cable broadband providers. At the same time, by remotely managing these services, they eliminate truck-rolls, which reduces overall administrative costs."

The Gatespace e-Services system 1.3 provides a way to manage, provision and configure e-Services (both native and OSGi-based) for the broadband and telematics markets. It includes a carrier-grade **e-Services center**; residential, enterprise or automotive **e-Services** specifically targeted for those markets; and **the embedded client software and hardware**.

The e-Services center is the operations and maintenance system of the e-Services system. It is located in the network backbone or elsewhere on the Internet where IP connectivity is provided and performs life-cycle management, including provisioning, upgrading and configuring for all types of software and services.

The e-Services center includes the following functionality:
- Lifecycle management of native services – OSGi framework, OSs, JVMs, firewalls, VPNs
- Update of gateways/customer premise equipment – OSGi and other services

- Monitor gateways/customer premise equipment – remote diagnosis and configuration for QoS
- Registration of new subscribers and gateways or customer premise equipment (CPE).
- Order entry, order management, and service provisioning functions.
- A Front-end portal for the system administrator and help desk personnel.
- An end-user self-care portal.
- The system is open and supports full interoperability with existing OSS systems, Java Enterprise Edition J2EE, legacy CRMs, legacy billing systems, databases and network management systems.

The e-Services system will be shipping in June 2002. It is being demonstrated at Connections 2002 in Dallas, TX. For more information, visit www.connectionsconference.com.

About Gatespace

Gatespace is a leading supplier of Managed Services solutions for managing, provisioning and configuring e-Services (native and OSGi-based) within the Broadband and Telematics markets. Gatespace's carrier-grade e-Services system links the enterprise to the edge of the Internet for broadband and telematics service providers and operators.

Ericsson, Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, Fuqua Venture Partners, European Equity Partners, Pythagoras Participations, T-bolaget, Bure Equity and CR&T privately fund Gatespace. Gatespace headquarters is located in Göteborg, Sweden, with its US office in Palo Alto, California, USA.

About OSGi

The Open Services Gateway Initiative (OSGi), established in 1999, is an independent, non-profit corporation working to define open software specifications for the delivery of networked services to devices anywhere. OSGi also works to proliferate these open specifications through the sponsorship of technology, market, and user education programs. OSGi is a global cross industry, 60+-member consortium. Membership is open to any interested party, including Internet Service Providers, Network Operators, Original Equipment Manufacturers, Independent Software Vendors, end users, academic institutions, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. The consortium's Web site address is http://www.osgi.org.

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