

CollabNet Introduces “Community in a Box” Services

Professional Services Package Helps CollabNet TeamForge Users to Create a Culture of Collaboration; Community Management Cookbook Available for Free Download

BRISBANE, Calif., Sept. 1, 2009 — CollabNet, the leader in [distributed application lifecycle management \(ALM\)](#) solutions, today introduced a package of professional services called “Community in a Box.” The services help organizations that use CollabNet TeamForge to transform the way they develop software, leveraging the best practices of open source software communities to accelerate innovation and dramatically reduce the time and cost of software development. The Community in a Box package includes the services of a full-time or part-time community manager, strategic consulting to create and deliver a custom community plan, and a Quick Start template to deploy CollabNet TeamForge. The company is also offering free one-hour Community Audits to help customers understand the health and potential of their software development communities. The Community in a Box package and the Community Audits are appropriate for both internal software development teams and publicly accessible developer communities at the edges of companies. More information is available at <http://www.collab.net/ciab>.

The Community in a Box services follow the guidelines contained in CollabNet’s Community Management Cookbook, a free online resource available to registered members of openCollabNet, the company’s online community. Free registration for openCollabNet is available at <http://www.open.collab.net/servlets/Join>, and the Community Management Cookbook is available at <https://sfee.open.collab.net/sf/projects/community-mgmt>.

The Community in a Box services help corporate and government software development teams to establish and nurture the culture of collaboration that characterizes the most successful open source software communities. This culture of collaboration, along with

modern distributed ALM tools like CollabNet TeamForge, enables organizations to create valuable internal team dynamics and to leverage external developer communities by facilitating reuse of code, processes, artifacts, and templates, knowledge sharing and transfer, and rapid innovation. CollabNet TeamForge and the Community in a Box services work with Agile, waterfall, and all other lean software development methodologies. CollabNet hosts a blog covering software development team collaboration and related topics at <http://blogs.open.collab.net/oncollabnet/innersourcing/>.

“The collaboration that we foster with our Community in a Box services is in CollabNet’s DNA,” said Mike Bellissimo, vice president, worldwide services, CollabNet. “As the founder and corporate sponsor of the Subversion open source project, our experience with the best practices of open source software communities is unmatched. And, unlike other vendors’ ALM offerings that were cobbled together from point solutions, CollabNet TeamForge was architected from the ground up to enable collaboration via a fully integrated suite of developer productivity tools.”

“CollabNet’s community management expertise helped us take our development productivity and ability to innovate to the next level,” said Alla Gringaus, Web technology fellow, Time, Inc., the largest magazine publisher in the United States. “With CollabNet’s platform, our software development teams collaborate more closely than ever before, while following best practices for code asset reuse. We have better visibility across projects, locations, and both internal and external teams.”

The Community in a Box services are delivered by a global team of CollabNet Professional Services Consultants that create community management plans, community goals and metrics, project categorization taxonomies, user and project on-boarding processes, ALM strategies, training plans, support structures, and outreach plans. CollabNet has helped to create the largest and most successful corporate software development teams and open source software communities in the world, including java.net, openoffice.org, and tigris.org.

Pricing and Availability

The Community in a Box services and Community Audits are available immediately. Pricing for a basic package of services that includes a half-time community manager begins at \$15,000.00 per month.

About CollabNet

CollabNet is the leader in [application lifecycle management \(ALM\)](#) platforms for distributed software development teams. CollabNet TeamForge is the industry's most open ALM platform, supporting every environment, methodology, and technology. With an integrated suite of easy-to-use tools that share a centralized repository, it is the only ALM platform that enables a culture of collaboration, improving productivity 10-50% and reducing the cost of software development by up to 80%. As the corporate sponsor of the open source Subversion project, the best version control and [software configuration management \(SCM\)](#) solution for distributed teams, collaborative development is in CollabNet's DNA. Millions of users at more than 800 organizations, including Applied Biosystems, Capgemini, Deutsche Bank, Reuters, and the U.S. Department of Defense, have transformed the way they develop software with CollabNet. For more information, visit www.collab.net or call (888) 778-9793.

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