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## Press Release

### **Axway Software Offers Integrated Support for Business Process Modeling Notation (BPMN).**

*Europe-based Integration Vendor Axway Participates in the Design of BPMN*

Business Process Modeling Notation is the standard designed by industry-leading members of the Business Process Management Initiative (BPML.org). Globally, companies rate Business Process Management initiatives high on their IT agenda for 2004.

When it comes to describing business processes, notations are numerous. The mere existence of a notation standard is good news for the business process analyst community, as it will allow for increased transparency and better re-usability of analyst resources over time. CEO's will be tempted by BPMN, as obviously notation impacts the chances for success of a project roll-out. CIO's have reason to embrace this standard too, as notation becomes only valuable when it can be translated into the IT architecture. The BPMN standard is supported by industry-leading IT vendors and consultants including *Axway, CSC, IDS Scheer, Intalio, SeeBeyond* and others. It is the first time a standard business-modelling notation has been developed taking into consideration implementation, architecture and technology in environments such as Web Services.

*"Axway participated in the conception of the BPMN standard", says Jean-Luc GIRAUD, Senior Product Manager at Axway, "With many of our customers, we share the conviction that business process engineering will do the job – just as soon as we can get it into the hands of the business analysts. Our involvement in the BPMN group is driven by our knowledge of, and our relationships with those many clients who view business processing as strategic, and who understand that this standard will increase their reactivity and efficiency in their own market sectors. As the capstone in the Axway Integration Platform arch, we have successfully incorporated the concepts of the BPMN for full business process management, both for intra-muros applications, and for external communications with customers, partners and governments."*

A significant number of new technologies have enjoyed only limited levels of success, in many cases because of low reactivity at the time of deployment. XPM provides both the tools and the architecture for extremely rapid modelling, implementing, deploying, executing, administering, supervising and optimising business processes in the enterprise. The graphical notation employed in Axway's BPM tool is extremely important, because it is not only the fastest but also the most natural means for sharing information concerning enterprise processes between users or internal organisations, and externally with partners. Axway specifically chose to participate in the design of the BPMN norm, and to implement that norm into its powerful business process modelling tool. Today, BPMN is the only proposal for a standard in this field which successfully brings together business and technical populations.



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The Axway product XPM implements the last level of the BPMN (1.0) norm in a sophisticated graphical environment that also provides mechanisms for managing different users and their rights, along with libraries and the versions of processes, and extending to their deployment in a production environment.

Initially, XPM ensures that processes correctly adhere to the modelling rules laid down by BPMN on the business side, and to the implementation rules on the technical side. Next, it automatically guides users to corrections which may be required in the process diagram or to the parameters in that diagram. Finally, XPM automatically generates the data required by the execution engine, thus providing a very rapid passage from the modelling for a process to its execution.

### **About Axway**

Axway, a major player in the domain of application integration, and wholly owned subsidiary of Sopra Group, achieved a 2002 turnover of 70 million euros. Through its 19 locations world-wide, Axway ensures, automates and enriches exchanges between the information systems of enterprises of all sizes. Through the global integration offering Axway Integration Platform, Axway provides all the software components required for integrating enterprise business processes, and monitoring business activity.

More than 500 Axway specialists advise enterprises in their architectural choices, help pilot and carry out application integration projects, and accompany clients in optimising product deployment. Enterprises improve the fluidity and efficiency of their information exchanges, providing better service to their clients, developing their B2B partner networks in complete trust, and reducing the internal costs associated with business processes. Axway already accelerates the business of 5000 companies and organisations around the world, in every economic sector.

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