Boundaryless Information Flow & Enterprise Architecture

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Architecting Boundarylessness

Achieving Business Objectives

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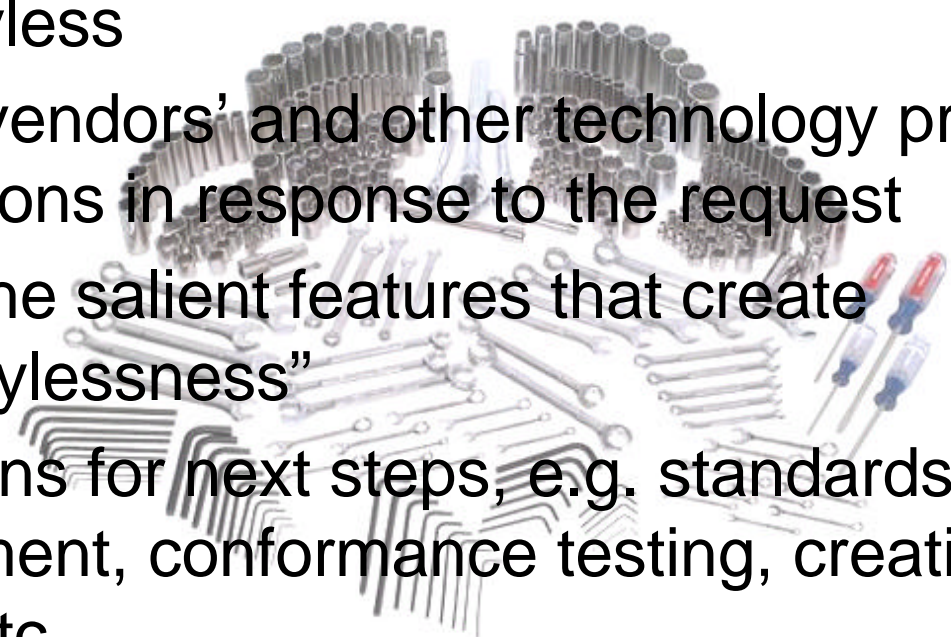www.eliotsolomon.com

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Today's agenda

- ❑ Review the objective

- ❑ Six presentations in response to the call

- ❑ Question and answer session

- ❑ What comes next

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Goals for This meeting

- ❑ Identify specific technologies, products, standards, and achitectures that address the specific models of boundaryless

- ❑ Present vendors' and other technology providers' contributions in response to the request

- ❑ Review the salient features that create "boundarylessness"

- ❑ Make plans for next steps, e.g. standards development, conformance testing, creation of guides, etc.

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"Why should I care," you say

❑ You have at least some "boundaryless business" requirements in your organization

❑ You need to address the challenge of reducing boundaries...

  ▪ Without having to undo what you already have

  ▪ Without incurring huge re-engineering costs

  ▪ Without having to bend your business to the demands of a specific technology or IT product

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The six examples of boundaryless business

- Strategic decision support
- Retail sales
- Relationship-based retail services
- Information outflow: Online publishing, content distribution
- Supply chain automation
- Interpersonal Interactions

How many of these are yours?

Read about the examples at:
`http://www.opengroup.org/cio/CallForPapers.htm`

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What's the (architectural) problem?

❑ The vendors *are* addressing boundaryless information flow

- But they don't all do it the same way
- Different "solution spaces" often get different approaches

❑ How do you choose the (one?) right approach?

- Or how do you plan to make your different approaches align or converge?

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Today's presentations (1)

❑ **IBM**

Information on Demand

❑ **Fujitsu**

Service-based integration of Boundaryless subsystems

❑ **Hewlett Packard**

Adaptive Enterprise Strategies

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Today's presentations (2)

❑ **Directory Interoperability Forum**

    Ways to achieve boundaryless directory services

❑ **RSA Security**

    Identity management as a key to collaborative business

❑ **Cyber Rave**

    An information architecture that transcends boundaries

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Other responses included...

❑ **Red Hat**

Open source: an exemplar and enabler of knowledge sharing and boundarylessness

❑ **Architecting the Enterprise**

Architectural methodologies to build *your* boundaryless enterprise

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What you should look for

- Architectural approaches that meet *your* needs...
    - ...and ones that don't
- Models of boundarylessness that address *your* business model and competitive strategy
- Ways to unify *your* existing IT with *your* (new) boundaryless systems

- Opportunities for *you* and your organization to work on boundaryless information flow architectures *that work for you*

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What's next?

- ❑ After the presentations we'll be back to lead a moderated discussion
  - ▪ What we heard
  - ▪ What we would have liked to have heard

  - ▪ What we will do next

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