Press Release

Hardis Cloud Studio: an on-demand collaborative development environment for engineering students

With Cloud Studio, Hardis Group offers engineering schools and university IT faculties a free collaborative development environment which is multi-language, multi-database and easy to implement for its students' projects.

Grenoble, April 3, 2012 - Services, business software publishing and facilities management company Hardis Group has unveiled Cloud Studio, its new on-demand collaborative development platform which is provided free of charge to engineering schools and university IT faculties for their students' projects. With Cloud Studio, Hardis provides universities with rapid access to a reliable and professional IT development solution with no investment required.

An agnostic and educational development platform

Based on an Eclipse environment, the Cloud Studio development platform is a tool which adapts perfectly to learning requirements, supporting numerous languages and connection to several database management systems. Delivered in its native form with Open Source tools (Java, PHP, MySQL, PostgreSQL), it also provides access to proprietary and/or paid solutions.

In addition to technical learning, Cloud Studio also enables students to take a business approach by enabling them to play different roles according to the project: manager, developer, project manager, quality controller, etc. For teaching staff, code review tools are integrated into the platform to facilitate project correction phases.

Free of charge and easy to implement

Cloud Studio is provided to engineering schools and university IT faculties totally free of charge for use in their projects. The Cloud Studio SaaS approach also reduces deployment and maintenance costs for the IS departments of higher education institutions. As it can be accessed remotely, Cloud Studio does not require any new servers or software, network expansion or training in how to use it. It comes pre-packaged, considerably reducing configuration phases.

Despite being free of charge, Cloud Studio is a professional tool which is used by Hardis for its development and third-party application projects. It also benefits from contractual service-level agreements and technical and methodological user support provided by Hardis teams. In the coming months Cloud Studio will also be offered to companies but this time as a paid version.

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About Hardis

Hardis Group was created in 1984. It is both a software publisher and an IT services company. Ever since it was created, this company has built growth in a resolutely different way, based on pragmatism and the core values of local presence and a strong commitment to both customers and employees. The founding directors still run the company, 25% of employees are shareholders, and all the personnel is based in France.

Hardis focuses on seven major sectors: infrastructure and facilities management, development and Third-Party Application Maintenance (TPAM), consulting and project owner support, business intelligence, logistics and transport (Reflex solutions), development tools (Adelia Studio), and payroll outsourcing (Saphyr software).

As a software publisher, Hardis is capable of integrating its own solutions and can also call on the services of a network of partners. Its consultants are experts in high-quality IT project methodologies (such as ITIL and CMMI).

Hardis posted turnover figures of €53 million in 2011. To date, the Group has more than 2,500 customers and employs 620 people. Its head office is located in Grenoble, with five other branches in Lyon, Paris, Lille, Nantes and Rennes.

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