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QBS SOFTWARE TAKES ON MART TECHNOLOGY

The first commercially available Rapid Application Development (RAD) environment to make developing web-oriented desktop-style applications affordable – MT Studio – is now available from QBS Software (www.qbssoftware.co.uk). The announcement follows the formation of a distribution agreement between QBS Software and creator of MT Studio, UK software technology company, Mart Technology Ltd (www.marttech.co.uk).

Skye Quin, director of QBS Software said: “MT Studio is an exciting product. There are thousands of developers who have been waiting for an affordable development environment that will enable them to create fully functional bespoke applications that can be deployed over the web. These people will be delighted when they see and begin to use MT Studio because it will satisfy their latent demand.”

Announced in May 2003 after three years of development and testing, MT Studio makes the cost of creating powerful desktop-style applications over the web radically lower and as easy as building traditional client-server applications with popular tools such as MS Visual Basic or Borland Delphi. By inserting a single CD and booting up, developers can transform a windows-based PC into a fully integrated RAD environment capable of creating elegant web-oriented applications.

Graham Simon, managing director of Mart Technology said: “MT Studio is an innovative product that really opens up new potential for developers. The agreement with QBS Software is crucial because it means we are able to distribute MT Studio in partnership with a company that has strong links to the developer community.”

MT Studio has been designed to adhere to the main industry standards. The software runs on any operating system and integrates with the SQL database management systems of the major vendors. MTDynamo, the application server within MT Studio, is compatible with Windows, LINUX, UNIX, Solaris and MAC OSX operating systems. It runs in conjunction with Apache Tomcat or other leading Java-based application servers.

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It integrates with the SQL database management systems of major vendors including Sybase, Oracle and Microsoft and it is ideally suited to solutions providers and small businesses within-house development capabilities.

MT Studio comprises a full IDE (integrated development environment) and runtime platform and incorporates J2EE and XML as core technologies. Besides offering a rapid application development environment for creating and deploying sophisticated applications it also includes a Wizard that permits users to define their own templates. It is available in the following Editions:

- **MT Studio Standard Edition:** a full IDE and runtime platform incorporating J2EE and XML as core technologies.
- **MT Studio Standard Bundle Edition:** including Linux, MT Studio Standard Edition and Sybase's SQL Anywhere database.
- **MT Studio Enterprise Edition:** available later this year, it includes advanced desktop management version control and security functions.

MT Studio is priced to be accessible:

- A single user licence for MT Studio Standard Bundle Edition is just £595.
- A 30 concurrent user licence for MT Studio Standard Bundle Edition is £4,830.

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Notes to the editor

Mart Technology, a software developer and IT solutions provider based in Pinner, Middlesex, was founded in November 1999 and began trading in April 2000.

QBS Software has been supporting and selling software for more than 15 years and is a leading reseller of development tools in Europe. It works with 300 publishers and sells more than 900 software tools to the developer, the corporate customer, the designer and to more than 200 resellers throughout the world. QBS has always maintained its independence and is well-respected in the industry for product knowledge, fast and friendly service and fair pricing.

The Software that QBS sells fits roughly into the following twelve functional categories: Integrated Development Environments (IDEs), Code Tools, Components, Communications, Reporting Tools, Word/text/speech processing, Graphics, Data & databases, Web design & development, Installation, Help Creation and System tools.