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Welcome to the latest Worldwide Institute of Software Architects (WWISA) New Zealand Chapter newsletter.

In this issue we look at:

- Auckland action
- Integrating architecture into change activities
- Equinox Learning Services, and
- Pondering a portal.

### AUCKLAND ACTION

Our last meeting for the year will be held in Auckland on:

Thursday 27 November 2003

6:00pm for 6:30pm - 7:50pm

Level 7  
Synergy House  
131 Queen Street  
Auckland

Please note the change of time and venue to fit in with the commitments of our presenter Jorn Bettin from SoftMetaWare (<http://www.softmetaware.com>).

Jorn will be exploring "Domain-Driven Development: Against the Flow of Fetishising Implementation Technologies".

OOPSLA 2003 had a special track on Domain-Driven Development (3D) which it defined as covering a range of emerging technologies, including Model-Driven Architecture, Product-Line Engineering, Aspect-Oriented Modelling, Generative Programming and Intentional Programming. All of these technologies focus on aligning code and problem domain more closely. Successful Domain-Driven Development elevates the expression of design and implementation, removes extraneous detail, insulates software from technology drift, helps balance customisation and genericity and allows higher levels of automation.

More information on this track is available at <http://www.oopsla.org/oopsla2003/files/ddd.html>. The 3D community is currently formulating a set of core principles that encapsulate the intention of the 3D paradigm similarly to the way the Agile Manifesto has been used to define the core of "agile" methodologies for software development.

Jorn is the founder of SoftMetaWare and a software consultant with a special interest in designing large-scale component systems and in techniques to optimise the productivity of software development teams. SoftMetaWare provides strategic consulting services and product line engineering expertise to software development organisations. Jorn recently completed an assignment as acting CTO for one of Australia's largest software companies. Over the last eight years he has implemented automated, model-driven development in several organisations, has worked in methodology leadership roles in an IBM product development lab, and has managed object oriented software development projects in the domains of distribution, manufacturing, insurance and electricity trading. Currently he is leading the Generative Model Transformer Open Source initiative to develop a Model-Driven Architecture tool platform in close collaboration with several universities and the submitters to the Object Management Group (OMG) Meta

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Object Facility 2.0 Request for Proposal.

Please feel free to extend an invitation to attend to any interested friends or colleagues (there is currently no cost involved with any chapter events).

## INTEGRATING ARCHITECTURE IN CHANGE ACTIVITIES

Jeffrey Cornwell gave an excellent presentation on "Integration of Architecture into Change Activities" at our last meeting in Wellington.

Jeffrey covered many of the "real world" challenges encountered and how these have been addressed within the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC).

A full copy of Jeffrey's presentation can be found on the Chapter website at <http://www.wvisa.org.nz/downloads.asp> and covers:

- What is meant by architecture?
- Architectural challenges
- ACC environment
- Line of business applications
- Non-functional requirements
- ACC solution development lifecycle
  - Idea definition phase
  - Opportunity exploration phase
  - Investigation project
  - Delivery project
- Moving forward.

## EQUINOX LEARNING SERVICES

One of our key sponsors, Equinox has recently launched "Equinox Learning Services".

Equinox Learning Services currently offers a range of Rational University courses from "Business Modelling with UML" through to "Mastering Object-Oriented Analysis and Design using UML".

To celebrate the launch, Equinox has put together the following offers to help "kick-start" your New Year:

- "Summer School" - all public courses held in January and February 2004 are discounted at \$500 per person per day plus GST.
- "In-House" - train up to 12 members of your team at the same time with an "in-house" course during January and February 2004 and pay just \$4,500 plus GST per day .

A copy of the latest course schedule (November 2003 - February 2004) is attached and full course descriptions are available at <http://www.equinox.co.nz/education/courses>.

## PONDERING A PORTAL?

If you're looking for intelligent strategies to help you get maximum value from your corporate portal, then Bright\*Star Conferences have organised a Strategic Enterprise Portal Management Conference to be held at The Heritage Hotel in Auckland on Wednesday 18 - Thursday 19 November 2004.

Speakers include Neil Brown (Senior Solutions Architect, EDS), Mark Carroll (Technology Advisor, Statistics New Zealand), Dennis Robinson (Winery Services Manager, Montana) and Garry Collings (General Manager Information Technology, Tranz Rail).

For more information contact Bright\*Star Conferences on (09) 379 59832 or visit <http://www.brightstar.co.nz/feb2004/C046.html>.

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Our mailing list is used for no other purposes, and your right to privacy is respected at all times.

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## BOOKMARKS

- Business Process Management Initiative

<http://www.bpmi.org>

- Business Rules Community

<http://www.brcommunity.com>

- Microsoft Patterns and Practices

<http://www.microsoft.com/resources/practices>

- RosettaNet

<http://www.rosettanet.org>

Don't forget to check out our chapter website (<http://www.wwisa.org.nz/Links.asp>) which includes links to a wide range of software architecture and related sites.

## QUOTABLE VALUE

"Design for the future based on business strategy - not on existing operational processes."

- Clive Finkelstein

Kind regards ... Paul

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