

Altova's XMLSPY Wins Programmers Paradise's "Riding the Crest" Award for Highest Sales in XML Development Category

XMLSPY 5 is the Programmers Paradise's Top-selling XML Development Software.

Beverly, MA – February 12, 2003. – Altova Inc. (<http://www.altova.com>), producer of XMLSPY, the world's leading XML development tool, has won Programmers Paradise's "Riding the Crest Award for 2002" in the XML Development Category, which is given to the best-selling products at Programmer's Paradise within their respective categories for the previous calendar year.

Programmers Paradise (<http://www.programmers.com>), is a leading independent marketer of software tools for technology professionals, who's business focuses on providing IT professionals with the right tools for any programming task. Programmers Paradise currently offers a selection of over 70,000 products from over 2,000 vendors and publishers, from which Altova's XMLSPY was determined to be the top selling item among XML Development software products.

"The Programmer's Paradise 'Riding the Crest Award 2002' is further proof that Altova's XMLSPY is the industry's most comprehensive and popular XML development environment," said Alexander Falk, President and CEO of Altova Inc. "We thank the Programmer Paradise customer base, consisting of thousands of technically-savvy customers, for the opportunity to allow us to help them build better quality XML-enabled software, faster, with the help of XMLSPY."

The complete listing of Programmers Paradise "Riding The Crest Award" winners have been posted at:

<http://www.programmersparadise.com/ridingthecrest>

About Altova

Altova, Inc. is a leading provider of XML software solutions with offices in Beverly, MA and Vienna, Austria. The privately held company was founded

in 1992 and has been actively involved in the XML market from the early conception of Extensible Markup Language. Altova's XMLSPY 5 is the leading choice of Fortune 500 and Global 1000 companies. Altova's XMLSPY 5 product line is the world's best-selling XML tool and has won the leading industry awards including PC Magazine's Editor's Choice Award and Best Product of 2002. Altova is a technology partner with the world's leading software companies including Microsoft, Oracle, BEA, IONA, and Software AG. Altova is a member of the W3C and WS-I. Visit Altova on the web at <http://www.altova.com>.

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