



Altova Named to 2006 *SD Times* 100

ALTOVA RECOGNIZED AS SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT LEADER AND INNOVATOR FOR THE FOURTH YEAR IN A ROW

BEVERLY, Mass., June 21, 2006 – Altova® (www.altova.com), creator of XMLSpy® and other leading XML, data management, UML, and Web services tools, today announced that it has been named to the 2006 *SD Times* 100 list of leaders and innovators in the software development industry. The company was honored in the Tools & Environments category for the fourth consecutive year.

In its award citation, *SD Times* singles out Altova's XMLSpy, the industry-standard XML development environment for modeling, editing, debugging, and transforming XML technologies. According to *SD Times*, the newspaper of record for the software development industry, "XML becomes more important every day. And nothing makes it easier to tinker with your XML code than the venerable XMLSpy."

According to David Rubinstein, Editor-in-Chief of *SD Times*, "the winners of this year's awards have demonstrated their leadership in shaping the software development industry. We took into account each nominee's products and services, its reputation among development managers, and the new ideas it brought out. These select individuals and organizations are the ones we've identified as helping to move the art of development forward."

"With XML Spy, Altova has set the standard for XML development environments, and we're delighted to be recognized once again as a leading force in software development by the editors of *SD Times*," said Tim Hale, Director of Marketing for Altova. "This recognition affirms that we've been successful not only in supporting industry standards, but also in advancing them through XMLSpy and our other innovative and easily accessible software development tools."

The fourth annual *SD Times* 100 is featured in BZ Media's *SD Times* issue #151 dated June 1, 2006. The complete awards details are also available online at <http://www.sdtimes.com>.

About BZ Media LLC

BZ Media LLC (www.bzmedia.com) is a New York-based media company combining the best of print and Internet publishing with industry-leading technical conferences and expositions. BZ Media's *SD Times* (www.sdtimes.com) is the twice monthly newspaper of record for the software development industry. *SD Times* reaches more than 55,000 subscribers in 131 countries.

About Altova

Altova accelerates application development and data management projects with software and solutions that enhance productivity and maximize results. As an innovative, customer-focused company and the creator of XMLSpy and other leading XML, data management, UML, and Web services tools, Altova is the choice of over 2 million clients worldwide, including virtually every Fortune 500 company. Enabling customers ranging from vast development teams in the world's largest organizations to progressive one-person shops, Altova's line of software tools fulfills a broad spectrum of business needs. Altova is an active member of the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) and Object Management Group (OMG) and is committed to delivering standards-based platform-independent solutions that are powerful, affordable, and easy to use. Altova was founded in 1992 and has headquarters in Beverly, Massachusetts and Vienna, Austria. Visit Altova on the Web at www.altova.com.

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