



DATAPOWER JOINS LIBERTY ALLIANCE

XS40 First XML Security Gateway to Support Liberty Specification; Extends DataPower's Unrivaled AAA Framework Support for Federated Identity Enforcement; DataPower's Experts in Large-Scale SAML Deployment Can Now Help Key Standards Work

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.--February 28th, 2005-- DataPower®, the original creator and leading provider of intelligent XML-Aware Network (XAN) hardware, announced that it has joined the Liberty Alliance, a consortium of more than 150 companies, non-profit and government organizations from around the globe including American Express, Fidelity Investments, AOL, France Telecom, General Motors, HP, IBM, Intel, Novell, Oracle, RSA Security, Sun Microsystems and VeriSign jointly committed to developing an open standard for federated network identity across all network devices.

Acting as a high-performance, high-security policy enforcement point, the DataPower XS40 XML Security Gateway is the first of its kind to provide support for the Liberty Alliance specification, extending DataPower's AAA Framework fine-grained authorization capabilities while demonstrating the XS40's unrivaled flexibility for extracting user passwords, security tokens and other identity information from incoming XML and Web service requests. The AAA Framework enables DataPower's industry-leading integration with identity management solutions, including those from Computer Associates & Netegrity, IBM, Microsoft, Oblix, RSA Security, and Sun - as well as allowing customers to integrate proprietary, in-house Single Sign-On (SSO) systems with their Web services security architecture. DataPower's unique AAA Framework has also enabled its XS40 XML Security Gateway to be the first Web services security solution or XML firewall to fully support SAML 1.0, 1.1 and 2.0 (See: [DataPower XS40 Hardware Validated for Federated Identity and XML Web Services Security at SAML Interoperability Lab at RSA 2005](#)) along with other key security standards including WS-Security, SSL, XML-Encryption, XML-DSIG, RADIUS, LDAP, and XKMS (See: [DataPower's XML Web Services Security Standards Leadership Continues with Success at W3C XKMS Interoperability Test.](#))

The XS40 XML Security Gateway is purpose-built by some of the world's top XML and security experts to secure XML Web Services transactions and to manage federated trust across domains. The XS40 is a true network hardware device that serves as a secure XML Web services proxy and access policy enforcement point in front of potentially vulnerable application servers. Additionally, the XS40 delivers hardened security and wirespeed performance using sophisticated, patented algorithms for XML firewall, XDoS protection; SOAP filtering; access control; XML schema validation; field-level digital signatures and XML encryption; XML routing; service virtualization; and offers an award-winning, easy-to-use GUI.

"Liberty Alliance has been gaining attention from our customers, and we are excited to join the organization driving open standards for federated identity management and

message networks at Internet scale," said Eugene Kuznetsov, Chairman & CTO, DataPower. "We also expect to be able to contribute some important insights based on our real-world experience of deploying and supporting high-volume, high-value SAML implementations in production."

About DataPower

DataPower provides enterprises with intelligent XML-Aware network infrastructure to ensure unparalleled performance, security and manageability of next-generation applications and XML Web Services. DataPower's patented XML Generation Three (XG3™) technology powers the industry's first wire-speed XML-aware networking devices that provide immediate return on technology investments while streamlining application deployments. Founded in 1999, DataPower is privately held and based in Cambridge, MA. For more information about DataPower Technology, please contact 617-864-0455 or visit www.datapower.com

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