



Colosa joins Open Source for America: Publicly advocates open source within U.S. Federal Government

Brooklyn, New York – August 6, 2009 – Colosa, developer of open source business process management (BPM) software, ProcessMaker (www.processmaker.com), has joined Open Source for America, a broad cross-section of more than 70 companies, academic institutions, communities, related groups and individuals that serve as a unified voice for the promotion of open source in the U.S. Federal government sector.

Open Source for America strives to effect change in government to encourage broader support of open source technologies and the open source development community.

As a member of Open Source for America, Colosa has pledged to support the organization's mission and its founding principles, namely: the belief that the U.S. federal government can and should be more transparent, participatory, secure and efficient by leveraging the advantages of open source software; that the open source community can drive collaborative innovation for government; and the decision to use software should be driven solely by the requirements of the user.

"We've received great response from companies, organizations and individuals joining together to advocate the greater use of open source software in the U.S. Federal government," said David Thomas, principal at Mehlman Vogel Castagnetti and spokesman for the Open Source for America campaign. "We are very pleased to welcome Colosa in joining our cause and look forward to their active involvement in articulating the true value open source delivers to the U.S. government."

Colosa's ProcessMaker is an open source web-based business software tool that automates workflow processes across business systems to help public and private sector organization to be smarter and more efficient in how they operate. It is a member of the Open Solutions Alliance, an organization which is dedicated to increasing awareness and interoperability in enterprise open source and one that is also committed to Open Source for America. Colosa has worked with government institutions, such as the government of Bolivia and the national congress of Peru, as well as the U.S. Secret Service.

Brian Reale, CEO of Colosa said, "As a company that already provides a number of government organizations with an open source solution to manage and streamline organizational processes, Colosa recognizes the importance of a coalition to lobby for open source to be more prominent within the U.S. government."

He continued, "As governments, including our federal one, each face budget challenges and the need to provide maximum return for each taxpayer dollar spent, open source software offers a great opportunity. The use of open source innovates, reduces IT license spending, and provides a freedom that is simply doesn't exist with proprietary software."

To learn more about Open Source for America, please visit <http://opensourceforamerica.org>



About Open Source for America:

Open Source for America is a coalition of industry leaders, associations, non-government groups and academic/research institutions organized to serve as a centralized advocate, to encourage broader U.S. Federal Government support of and participation in Free and Open Source projects and technologies. Membership in Open Source for America is open to any individual or entity signing the campaign's mission pledge. Learn more at www.opensourceforamerica.org. You can also follow Open Source for America on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/OpenSourceGov>

About Colosa/ProcessMaker

Colosa is a developer of software solutions that enable companies to automate approval based workflow processes by interconnecting people and systems seamlessly across the organization.

The company's flagship product, ProcessMaker® is available as a free open source application. Enterprise clients can purchase ProcessMaker's Enterprise support plan which includes SLAs, IP indemnification, upgrade support and more.

ProcessMaker is an AJAX enabled, SOA, web-based application that allows users across single and multiple sites to create and share workflows, create custom forms, route processes, and improve management control. ProcessMaker OSS is available for download at <http://sourceforge.net/projects/processmaker/>.

Colosa was founded in 2000 and has customers in local and central government, telecom, oil and gas, insurance, banking, and other industries. Colosa has offices in Brooklyn, NY; La Paz, Bolivia; and Lima, Peru.

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