



Press Release

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**Migration to Rich Internet Applications (RIA):
SOFTMAINT launches FASTtoFlex®, its solution for client-server or
object oriented application conversion to Flex/AIR**

- **An industrialized approach which ensures safe and fast project execution**
- **An offer covering the different source technologies of legacy applications**
- **A partnership with Adobe giving rise to the presentation of FAST-to-FLEX® on 15 December at the 2009 Adobe RIA Conference**

SOFTMAINT, the specialist in information system modernization, announced today that its FAST platform (Future Architecture System Transformation), is now available for the conversion of client-server or object oriented applications to Adobe Flex based Rich Internet Applications (RIA).

RIA, a booming market: FLEX leads the way

Flex is a development environment that enables the creation of standardized, easy to operate and scalable Rich Internet Applications (RIA). This technology is different in that it enables quick development of a very graphical and interactive user interface thanks to a graphically rich developer kit (SDK). The peculiarity of the application is that runs in Flash Player. FLEX is the only tool set on the RIA market that received the "Strong Positive" assessment from Gartner Group.

"If until last year, companies using RIA technologies could still be regarded as pioneers, today we see it as a strong underlying trend" explains Claude Lethimonier, in charge of the FAST Solution at SOFTMAINT. "In fact, earnings improvements for companies are significant at all levels: these technologies seamlessly integrate with the services oriented architecture and enable rapid development, maintenance is simpler and they enjoy good user acceptance levels. As a response to this trend, we contacted Adobe and have extended our FAST solution to FLEX technology in order to provide an effective answer to companies wishing to modernize their applications".

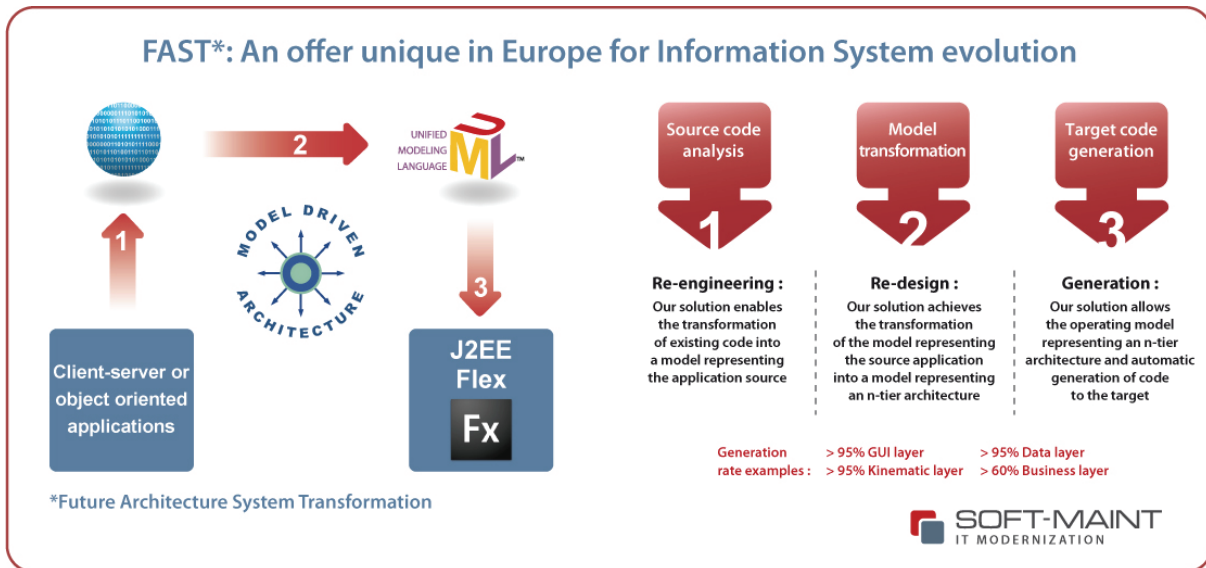
F.A.S.T., automated architecture modernization

SOFTMAINT is Europe's leading provider of automated legacy modernization solutions: architecture modernization, system migration, data migration, language conversion, SOA, etc. SOFTMAINT's industrialised approach is based on automated software engineering workshops developed by its R&D centre over the last 15 years, giving the company a strong technology leadership.

In the case of architecture modernization, F.A.S.T. automates the entire process, from retro-modelling an existing application to generating the massive final program



code in the chosen technology. F.A.S.T. is based on a methodology and a software platform designed to perform the processing faster and with a high level of security.



An approach that preserves the richness and functionalities of existing applications

The modernization approach helps preserve the rich legacy application within firms while eliminating the risk of an obsolescence of their technological base:

- Threats of business application failure
- Risks associated with outdated technology (NSDK, VB, Delphi, PowerBuilder...)
- High maintenance costs and shortage of skills
- Physical infrastructures becoming incompatible
- Limitations to the development of the IS.

CIOs are looking into new Service Oriented Web Architectures (SOA) that provide many benefits:

- Capitalizing on the existing application
- Better structured, better quality applications
- Significant reduction of maintenance costs and of TCO
- Standardized environments
- Evolutionary information system, at the leading edge of technology (SOA)

Easier integration of applications into a Web portal and openness of the system to customers, suppliers, partners.

About SOFTMAINT

SOFTMAINT is Europe's leading provider of automated legacy modernization solutions. For over 15 years, SOFTMAINT Legacy modernization expertise and solutions have been dedicated to helping numerous large companies efficiently modernize their IT systems. Our expertise and automated solutions include:



- Architecture evolution to .Net, Java, Flex: our FAST - Future Architecture System Transformation - solutions
- Platform migration, database and language conversion
- Reverse documentation and technical urbanization

With over 150 projects successfully delivered and longstanding experience, SOFTMAINT provides the most comprehensive modernization approach combining solutions, methodology, industrial delivery and quality engagements through CMMI2.

SOFTMAINT is a wholly-owned subsidiary of SODIFRANCE Group, an IT services company with 15 offices in France, Belgium and Tunisia, listed on the Euronext Stock Market (Mnemonic code : SOA).

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