



## **EXCELON JOINS BPMI.ORG TO AID IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW BUSINESS PROCESS INTEGRATION STANDARD; NEW XML STANDARD WILL SPEED THE ADOPTION OF B2B PARTNER NETWORKS**

**BURLINGTON, MA - September 08, 2000** - eXcelon Corporation (Nasdaq: EXLN), a leading provider of XML-based business-to-business (B2B) infrastructure solutions, today announced that it has joined the Business Process Management Initiative (BPMI.org), a new organization that will define standards that enable the integration of cross-company business processes over the Internet.

"B2B commerce is about extending your business processes outside your organization, to be shared with all of your partners, suppliers and customers," said Jean-Jacques Dubray, chief architect at eXcelon Corp. "For the past year, eXcelon has been developing an XML-based language for defining and executing business processes as part of our B2B Integration Server. We look forward to being able to share what we have learned to further advance B2B commerce."

"BPMI.org will help the Global 2000 further embrace the opportunities offered by e-Business," said Ismael Ghalimi, CEO of Intalio, one of BPMI.org's founding members. "By delivering a standard language for the modeling of business processes that will be deployed on forthcoming Business Process Management Systems, BPMI.org will bring the industry a step closer to the process-managed enterprise."

The first deliverable of the Business Process Management Initiative will be the specification of the Business Process Modeling Language (BPML). BPML is an XML Schema that provides a standard way to model business processes. XML (eXtensible Markup Language) is the new Internet standard for marking up data to facilitate exchanges of information between businesses, independently of applications and platforms.

By covering many dimensions of business process modeling that are specific to processes deployed internally to the enterprise, including business rules, security roles, distributed transactions, compensating transactions, and exception handling, BPML will bridge the gap between legacy IT infrastructures and emerging business-to-business collaboration protocols such as RosettaNet, BizTalk and ebXML. The Business Process Modeling Language will enable the enterprise to model, deploy, and manage business processes such as order management, customer care, demand planning, product development, and strategic sourcing. This will allow the IT infrastructure to provide greater adaptability to the business of the enterprise and easier manageability of constantly evolving business processes, eventually leading to higher levels of profitability.

The XML-based standards generated from BPMI.org will support and complement existing business-to-business collaboration protocols such as RosettaNet, BizTalk, and ebXML, as well as technology integration standards including J2EE and SOAP. For more information on eXcelon Corporation and its line of B2B infrastructure products and services, visit [www.exceloncorp.com](http://www.exceloncorp.com) or call 1-800-706-2509.

### **About eXcelon Corporation**

eXcelon Corporation ([www.exceloncorp.com](http://www.exceloncorp.com)) is a leading provider of products and services that enable companies to engage in business-to-business (B2B) commerce

across the Internet. eXcelon's B2B infrastructure solutions are 100 percent standards-based, thus eliminating technical barriers-to-entry for doing business across the Internet. Companies use eXcelon's B2B solutions to establish high-value electronic partnerships that are built for change. Based in Burlington, Mass., eXcelon Corporation was founded in 1988 and completed its initial public offering as ODIS in July 1996. The company's stock is traded on the NASDAQ National Market under the symbol EXLN. eXcelon Corporation sells and supports its products through branch offices across the U.S. and international subsidiaries in the United Kingdom, Germany, The Netherlands, Japan and Australia, as well as a worldwide network of distributors, value-added resellers, systems integrators and other indirect sales partners.

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