Puppies

Proposal for an ESPRIT project to architect and pilot a software architecture for distributed applications in global networks.

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Project Plan

- Market drivers
- New software paradigm
- Exploitation
 - architecture
 - tools and components
 - partners



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Market Drivers

- Business-to-business electronic commerce
 - e.g.., JIT manufacturing
- Mobile users
 - e.g., integrated messaging
- Network computers
 - e.g., Oracle
- New service providers
 - e.g., Marimba



New Approach

• Applications in Global Networks:

- Process-driven cf. Data driven
- Mobile
- Global
- Shared
- Multi-media
- Interactive

• Agents

- Autonomous
- Distributed
- Declarative
- Self-aware
- Adaptive



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New Paradigm

- Reflection
- Federation
- Event + state computational model
- Constraint-based
- Accessible behavior and relationships



Architecture

• Provide a framework for

- companion projects
 - seedware
 - specifications
- standards
- Promote an open solution
 - greater integration with other technologies



Partners and Benefits

- APM
 - project management
 - architecture (to benefit ANSA sponsors)
- UWE
 - environment for testing advanced agents
- Network Operator
 - innovative user services
- Client/server tools vendor
 - tools and components
 - collaborative applications



Staged Pilots

- Concrete examples to test ideas, demonstrate results
- Integrated messaging
 - email, voice mail, SMS inter-operability
- Collaborative Lotus Organizer
- Business progress agents
 - ordering parts just in time from suppliers

