Get hands-on experience in the IBM SOA Sandbox

Whether you are a business or technical leader, the SOA Sandbox is an excellent resource for education on SOA and real-world experience using IBM SOA software. The SOA Sandbox serves as a hands-on environment where you can learn how to leverage IBM's comprehensive software portfolio using short, guided exercises.

The Sandbox also contains online demos, white papers, best practice documentation, solution architecture guides, technical presentations, and other valuable information to aid you in your SOA adoption journey and accelerate your time to value. Materials in the Sandbox are based on common solution patterns derived from more than 8,000 customer implementations using SOA offerings from IBM.

Both business and technical Sandbox users can quickly see firsthand how IBM SOA software can provide tangible value to their enterprises.

**Highlights**

- Get hands-on experience with the IBM SOA software portfolio in a risk-free, cloud environment available 24x7 at no cost
- Learn how SOA can help you address your unique business challenges and provide tangible value to your enterprise
- Access SOA demos, white papers, technical presentations, solution architecture guides, and other valuable information
A convenient cloud offering
The SOA Sandbox is a cloud offering, allowing customers the convenience of IBM software without having to install it locally. Within minutes, and at no cost, you can begin creating practical, SOA-based applications while test-driving a broad selection of IBM software products.

An evolving Sandbox
Like the IBM SOA software portfolio, the SOA Sandbox is continuously updated, offering new exercises and information that demonstrate the compelling value proposition of IBM SOA software. As new products and product versions are released, the IBM SOA Sandbox is periodically updated to let customers learn about and expose themselves to the latest in IBM’s comprehensive SOA software portfolio.

Smart SOA approaches for green solutions
The Sandbox provides you with information on how IBM SOA software can help enterprises become more eco-friendly and reduce their carbon footprint. For example, hands-on exercises show how service requests can be dynamically routed to data centers that are served by more environmentally friendly power plants. Additionally, you can access an IBM Redpaper on collecting informative data about the carbon emissions that a data center is producing.

SOA Industry Scenarios
SOA Industry Scenarios, available in the SOA Sandbox Information Center, show how SOA can be used to solve the sophisticated, real-life, industry-specific customer problems that extend beyond traditional SOA entry points. The guidance offered by SOA Industry Scenarios communicates the collective subject matter expertise of numerous IBM IT architects and specialists.

The Extended Experience
IBM offers seats to the SOA Sandbox that allow a potential customer to dig deeper into our product offerings over a period of up to 30 days. Because the SOA Sandbox contains fully functional versions of IBM software, the Extended Experience allows you the versatility and time to move beyond guided exercises and explore how IBM SOA software can help solve your unique business challenges.

Learn more
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