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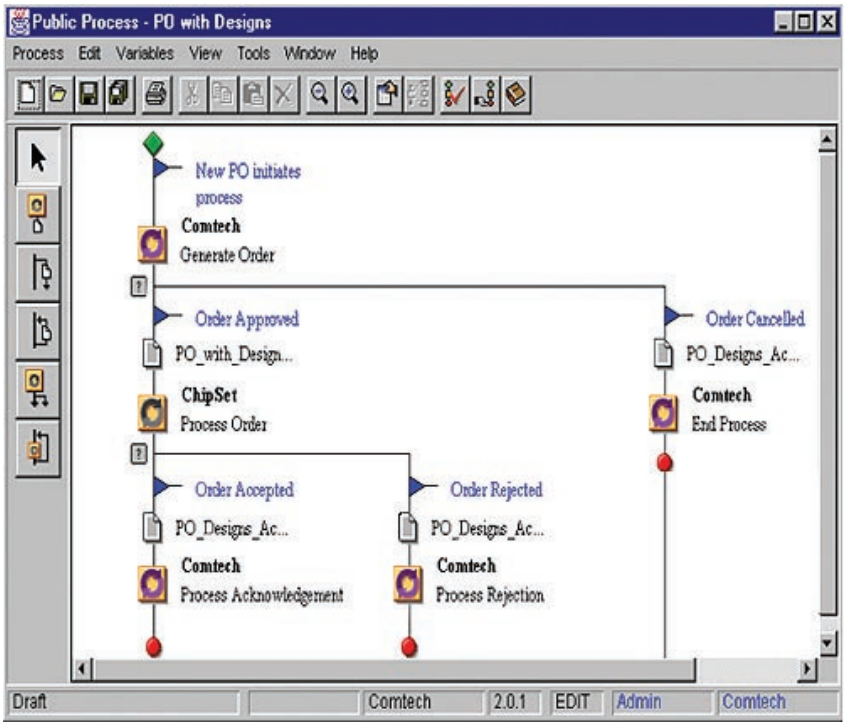
IBM WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 for Windows



IBM WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager offers a framework for message delivery.

To speed up business cycle times, companies need to be able to quickly and easily integrate their systems with their key trading partners, without disrupting existing investments in their or their partners' information technology. IBM WebSphere® Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 for Windows®—a comprehensive, packaged application designed for B2B integration—does just that. Unlike many products originally designed for enterprise application integration and then adapted for the B2B market, WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager helps you deliver

Highlights

- ***Enables companies to improve customer service, provide new offerings and extend existing applications to interact with those of trading partners***
- ***Offers a comprehensive B2B platform for a variety of trading partner integration scenarios and data-exchange methods in a single scalable solution***
- ***Delivers process-oriented solutions that define how multiple companies collaborate using a shared process***
- ***Provides comprehensive built-in features that support communication, security, configuration and process traceability, and ensures easy integration with a range of partners using a variety of data-exchange methods***
- ***Integrates with existing IT infrastructure, leveraging the WebSphere and MQSeries families of products***
- ***Offers a business-critical framework that maximizes message delivery, reliability and scalability***
- ***Provides the B2B gateway for WebSphere Business Integrator, Version 2.1***

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Integrate your systems without disrupting existing investments in your information technology.

information about the status of your processes—keeping your customers up to date about new offerings and extending existing applications. This information enables you to automate your interactions with trading partners to help reduce cycle time and cut costs. IBM WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 is the B2B gateway for IBM WebSphere Business Integrator, Version 2.1— a comprehensive business integration and process management middleware offering.

WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager lets users continue to interact with existing business systems while data is exchanged transparently over the Internet—or other open networks—with trading partners around the world. It enables you to manage standards-based, B2B processes—from their creation and integration with existing systems to handling of communication, administration, trading partner relationships, security, audit, analysis and reporting. With advanced tools, including a change control system, business analysts can quickly observe ongoing and completed business processes. And easily update business process definitions and partner configurations.

Industry-standard protocols

Using open, standard methods, WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager enables e-marketplace exchanges and individual organizations to communicate with buyers and suppliers through industry-standard protocols—such as XML and RosettaNet—and to integrate these protocols with their internal operations. For trading partners without B2B processing, WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager provides a browser-based interface. This helps those trading partners to improve customer service, process bids and orders automatically, keep customers fully informed and automatically request goods and services from different types of trading partner.

With its unique separation of public and private processes, WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager allows organizations to manage the business process boundary between internal and external participants so that electronic messages can be received from customers, appropriate internal business processes can be initiated and customers updated electronically. For building business solutions, it complements other products such as IBM WebSphere Application Server, IBM MQSeries®, IBM WebSphere MQ Integrator and IBM MQSeries Workflow.

A comprehensive solution

WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager provides a comprehensive, scalable, flexible and reliable solution that can be deployed rapidly. Unlike most B2B solutions, WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager is built with hub-and-spoke architecture to handle future expansion, and provides checkpoint and restart capabilities to deal with system failures.

Additional application Integration Adapters, Process Paks and Partner Channels are available through IBM reseller agreement with Peregrine Systems Inc. (Extricity Inc).

Building on a firm foundation

IBM WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 for Windows is part of the IBM WebSphere software platform for e-business — a set of integrated, award-winning e-business solutions. No matter where you are in the e-business cycle, the WebSphere software platform can allow you to grow—at the speed the market demands. Building on this robust platform, you can connect diverse IT environments to maximize your current investments and leverage existing skills with a full range of business process management (BPM) solutions from the IBM MQSeries family of products. Integrate business processes within a single department, across an entire enterprise or reach across business channels to trading partners and Web customers. And deliver next-generation business process management solutions that differentiate you from the competition.

For more information

IBM MQSeries, soon to be known as WebSphere MQ, is an integral middleware component of the WebSphere software platform for e-business. To learn more about the WebSphere MQ family of products and about streamlining the management of your e-business processes, visit:
ibm.com/mqseries/2h01announce

To learn more about WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, contact your IBM marketing representative or visit:
ibm.com/software/webservers/pam

To learn more about BPM, visit:
ibm.com/websphere/bpm

To register for the MQSeries magazine, *The Business Integrator Journal*, visit:
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IBM WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 for Windows at a glance

Hardware requirements

- A minimum of three @server xSeries™ 220 servers or compatible PC
- 512MB memory
- A storage device with a minimum of 2GB available space

Connectivity

- Communications hardware supporting TCP/IP or other network connectivity

Software requirements

- Microsoft® Windows NT® Server 4.0 with service pack 6a or Windows 2000 Server or Advanced Server
- Optionally, Tivoli® SecureWay® Firewall, Version 4.1
- Optionally, WebSphere Partner Agreement View, Version 2.1

Note: When using WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 as part of a WebSphere Business Integrator Version 2.1 solution, there are no further prerequisites. When using WebSphere Partner Agreement Manager, Version 2.2 standalone, one of the following is required: WebSphere Application Server Version 3.5.3 or IBM HTTP Server, Version 1.3.12.

Program information

- Program number 5724-A85
- Available on CD-ROM

Additional application integration adapters, partner channels and process paks

Product number	Product name
• 5620-FCA	• Extricity B2B Integration Adapters
• 5620-FCB	• Extricity B2B Partner Channels
• 5620-FCC	• Extricity B2B Process Paks

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