

#1994 SOA Excellence Center Interview
Steve Wells, Manager, SOA Excellence Center

Narrator: Nowhere is IBM's commitment to SOA more apparent than the SOA Centre of Excellence.

Steve Wells: This has always been a primary site for IBM. It is the largest development centre outside of the US. There are some 2,000 developers here. It has a great heritage in technology and power of thought.

Steve Wells: It is quiet. It is peaceful. The rooms are large and airy. It allows you to think away from all the phones and all the day-to-day hub-bub. So it really is a place where you can think.

Narrator: But the Centre is more than just an elegant and tranquil environment. With its vast offering of technology and expertise, it provides the perfect opportunity to see how business objectives can be fully articulated through SOA.

Steve Wells: The Galileo Centre is the customer centre. For us it's where we spend time with you the customer with technology, looking at technology and how we can apply that technology to your business needs today.

Steve Wells: Next to me is the infrastructure we use here at the customer centre. It contains over 600 servers, the networking, and the storage hardware that we actually need to drive and allow the customer to the experience the technology.

Narrator: In addition to this end-to-end hardware resource, this centre offers a variety of settings for interactions with developers who can work with your team to craft the solutions your business is seeking.

Narrator: The SOA Centre of Excellence. Tap into a wealth of experienced, highly skilled professionals for development and services offering the environment, the technology, the expertise. And the mission to create SOA solutions that give your business a competitive advantage now and far into the future.

Steve Wells: So please come and join me here at the Centre of Excellence. Let us understand your business. Let us understand what your business needs to be more successful and compete in this ever-changing world. But more importantly, maximize the resources we have here, the expertise to allow us to leverage that into your business. So as a partnership, we can move forward together.