

Serena joins mainframe migration alliance

SERENA Software, Inc. (Nasdaq: SRNA), the largest company solely focused on managing change throughout the application lifecycle, today announced it has joined the Mainframe Migration Alliance (MMA), an organization created by Microsoft and industry partners to help customers more easily and efficiently migrate workloads off the mainframe and onto the Microsoft Windows platform.

Serena's more than 20 years' experience in managing change on both mainframe and distributed platforms enables us to help our customers support increasingly complex, heterogeneous IT environments," said James Rogers, vice president of product marketing at Serena. "We look forward to working with Microsoft and other MMA members to share our collective knowledge and best practices to help companies who choose to migrate applications from the mainframe to the Microsoft Windows platform to do so successfully.

Mainframe customers often have special requirements -- such as near 100 percent application availability or the ability to handle thousands of transactions per second and migrating those applications can require technical depth in both the mainframe and target platforms, said Spyros Sakellariadis, project manager, Developer and Platform Evangelism at Microsoft Corp. We are pleased to extend our relationship with Serena to provide mainframe customers with a community, information and other resources that help prepare them to migrate to the more agile and cost-effective Windows platform.

Formed in spring 2003 and expanded last month with additional members and a newly launched community Web site, the Mainframe Migration Alliance comprises software vendors and service providers focused on enabling mainframe customers to meet the challenges posed by legacy application environments, including the pressures to reduce IT costs and increase the flexibility in IT systems. In addition to Serena, current alliance members include Fujitsu Software Corp., EDS, Fujitsu Consulting, Micro Focus, and Microsoft, among others.

MMA services include co-marketing, sales and support to partners and customers and a Web site that provides a central point for migration-related case studies, reference materials, performance analysis, services and resources, and discussion groups. More information about the alliance can be found at www.mainframemigration.org.

About Serena

SERENA Software, Inc. is the worlds largest company solely focused on managing change throughout the application lifecycle. For more than two decades, Serena has enabled companies to automate change to the applications that run their businesses. Serena has a long history of working closely with Microsoft to deliver high-value solutions to its customers, and is currently a Microsoft Certified Solution Provider (MCSP) for Software Solutions as well a Visual Studio Industry Partner (VSIP) program member at the Premier level. Serena has more than 15,000 customer sites worldwide, including 49 of the Fortune 50. Serena is headquartered in San Mateo, California and has offices in more than 20 countries. For more information, please visit www.serena.com.