

LogicLibrary pursues SOA governance through new product, partnerships

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Event Summary

- LogicLibrary has released version 5.5 of its Logidex metadata repository with new policy management and governance capabilities and integration with third-party registries.
- The company envisions future partnerships and integrations with project management and software change management vendors, in addition to runtime registries and repositories.
- LogicLibrary continues to enjoy steady growth, and now claims 75 customers.

The 451 Take

We've been waiting for LogicLibrary to more clearly define its strategy for the service lifecycle, and the company has finally followed through in its 5.5 release of Logidex. It will partner and integrate with other registry/repository products on the market, not try to compete with them. LogicLibrary also sees room for change management and project management vendors in this ecosystem. Even though some competition may still be a reality, it's sound strategic thinking on a lot of levels. LogicLibrary can stick to its core competency in software development asset metadata, reach new customers through partners and meet potential acquirers the same way. In the meantime, it can position itself as a key vendor in SOA enablement.

Details

LogicLibrary has released version 5.5 of its flagship Logidex software development asset repository, with the most important new feature being integration support for the **IBM** WebSphere Service Registry and Repository. Integration with the **Hewlett-Packard's** **Systinet** registry is planned for July. This is the first step in making Logidex the design-time hub of a service-oriented architecture (SOA) governance system, linking service policy governance and management from design time to runtime.

LogicLibrary plans more partnerships with project management and software change management vendors as part of this strategy. It's also recently signed partnerships with a number of other SOA infrastructure vendors, including testing software vendors Parasoft and **Mindreef**, enterprise service bus software vendor **Cape Clear Software**, and policy management software vendor **WebLayers**.

LogicLibrary now has approximately 75 customers, up from 50 about a year and a half ago, with an average deal size of \$124,000. Financial services, insurance, healthcare, defense and telecommunications are key verticals for the company. It reports that bookings are generally steady from quarter to quarter. LogicLibrary has 30 employees.

Competitive landscape

LogicLibrary continues to cite **Flashline**, now a part of **BEA Systems**, as its most direct competitor. We'd add **SOA Software** – which is targeting the whole SOA governance lifecycle from design time to runtime with its own products, including the Workbench registry/repository, rather than partnerships – as a competitor as well. LogicLibrary continues to recognize SOA Software as a partner, but that's a carryover from a partnership it had with **Blue Titan** before that company was acquired by SOA Software. In fact, IBM's and HP's registries/repositories can also be used at design time if customers so choose.

Software AG, which got **Infravio's** registry/repository when it bought **webMethods** and had its own similar technology through a partnership with **Fujitsu**, can also offer the full services lifecycle management support. Iona recently got into the registry/repository game as well. Though with LogicLibrary's new strategy, it'll be able to integrate with these vendors' products if customers so choose.

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