

XCELSIUS ENGAGE SERVER

System Requirements

- PC with 1 GHz equivalent processor with 1G of RAM (recommended)
- Microsoft Windows XP, Server, or Vista, with Microsoft Office XP, Office 2003, Office 2007
- .NET Framework 2.0

ASP.NET compatible web server; for example IIS or Apache

CREATE DASHBOARDS FOR YOUR DEPARTMENTS – FAST!

Timely access to the latest information is a challenge that faces virtually every decision-maker, from financial analyst to CEO. Even when data is available, it's typically presented in a report format that taxes the eyes as well as the mind – endless rows and columns of numbers. Who gets the blame for all this? IT.

With today's rapid pace of business, large volumes of business data are locked within the silos of sophisticated disparate databases that are impossible for business users to access and tedious for IT to translate into intuitive visual presentations.



Gain Real-Time Insight into Your Business Performance via Live Dashboards

Now, all that has changed. Xcelsius® Engage Server from Business Objects, an SAP company, is the only solution that enables business users to access real-time company data, create business dashboards and presentations, and share the results “live” via Microsoft Office, corporate portals, Crystal Reports® 2008, Adobe PDF, AIR, and the Web.

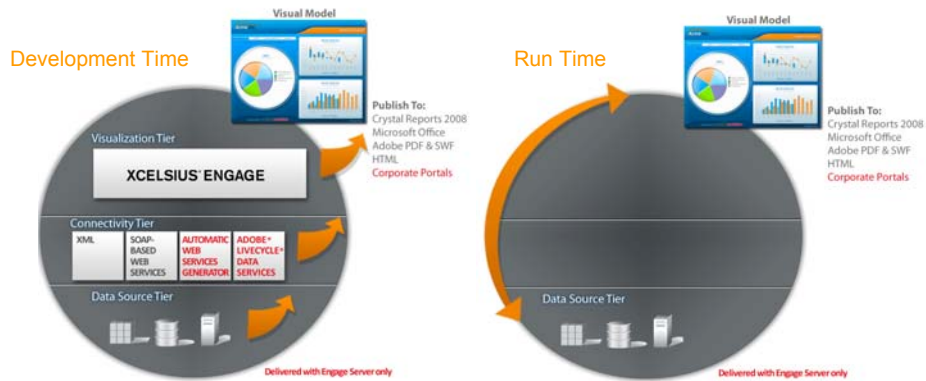
HOW IT WORKS

Xcelsius Engage Server includes:

- **Flynet Web Service Generator.** Flynet is a point-and-click application that enables you to access any OLE DB or ODBC data source (for example, Microsoft SQL, Oracle, MySQL, IBM DB2) and expose company data via a Web service, which is a standard format for facilitating machine-to-machine communication.
- **Xcelsius Engage Server Designer.** An intuitive desktop application designed to create flash-based data presentations and dashboards from Excel spreadsheets and corporate data sources. It offers a feature-rich library of ready-to-use charts, maps, gauges, progress bars, and more for creating interactive and engaging data visualizations. Its point-and-click interface lets you quickly connect prebuilt charts and graphics to personal data in spreadsheets or live company data via XML data feeds or Web services.
- **Portals and Data Connectivity Pack.** Xcelsius Engage Server includes integration kits for Microsoft SharePoint, Reporting Services, Adobe LiveCycle Data Service, and IBM WebSphere.

After installing Xcelsius Engage Server components, anyone in your organization can create business dashboards connected to personal or live company data without relying on IT. The Flynet Web Service Generator enables you to access and expose company data as a Web

service without needing to write complex SQL codes. The generated Web service delivers a real-time connection to the data source to any application that can consume it. You can easily access Flynet Web services from within Xcelsius and connect your dashboard directly to live company data. This easy access and connectivity ensures your models are always live with up-to-minute information at run time.



BENEFITS

Xcelsius Engage Server gives you:

- **Business dashboards connected to personal or corporate data.** Flexible data access through Excel spreadsheets, Adobe LiveCycle Data Services, XML data connections, and Flynet Web Service Generator enables business users to easily create live dashboards without hassling IT.
- **A holistic view of your business performance.** Monitor your business performance from a single easy-to-understand dashboard connected to multiple data sources.
- **Company data in tools you use every day.** Provide the power of information to everyone in your organization with one-click export to Microsoft Office, Adobe PDF, portals, and the Web.
- **Compatibility with your current IT infrastructure.** Xcelsius Engage models can be easily integrated into Crystal Reports 2008 or any other application that supports flash content. Plus, Xcelsius offers a software development kit (SDK) that enables you to create custom Xcelsius components to meet the unique needs of your business.
- **Stunning visualization.** Custom graphics and interactivity allow you to develop and deploy compelling yet easy-to-understand dashboards and business summaries.
- **Faster, better decisions.** Make informed decisions by using a variety of visual components to alter up-to-the-minute company data and immediately see the impact on projected performance indicators directly on the dashboard.

Best of all, Xcelsius Engage Server is designed with the end user in mind. Rapid development and deployment is achieved with a template-driven architecture and Excel-based foundation, so you can serve your own needs for delivering interactive dashboards, quickly.

AVAILABILITY

To learn more about Xcelsius Engage Server or for a free trial, please visit <http://www.businessobjects.com/xcelsius2008>.

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