

## Sparx Systems Honored with SD Times 100 Award for Seventh Consecutive Year

*Modeling tool vendor named in list of top 100 software companies.*

Creswick, Australia, June 30, 2015 – [Sparx Systems](#) has once again been recognized by software news publication SD Times in its annual list of top 100 software companies. This is the seventh year Sparx Systems has been included in the SD Times 100, which identifies the top companies advancing the state of software development through innovation and leadership.

This recognition highlights Sparx Systems' ongoing contribution to the software industry through its flagship modeling and design tool, Enterprise Architect. "Since first receiving this honor in 2009, Enterprise Architect has grown in global popularity, in large part due to meeting current market needs through a continuous development cycle based on user feedback," remarked Sparx Systems Business Development Manager, Ken Harkin. "Seven years on, Enterprise Architect is still the pre-eminent tool for achieving a unified vision, thanks to the ongoing dedication of our strategic management and development teams."

As one of the most feature-rich and exciting product releases to date, Enterprise Architect 12 is the result of extensive community consultation, in-house innovation and overall optimization. It includes new and unique tools that tightly integrate data models, wire-frames, information meta-models, schema composition, database design, XSD, XML, documents and code in a robust and collaborative environment. Mr Harkin remarked, "The revitalized user interface themes provide a compelling and sleek UI that is both engaging and stimulating. We see the recognition from SD Times as one more indication that we are headed in the right direction."

"The software development industry has always been competitive, but never more so given the innovation we're seeing in so many spaces, especially in Application Lifecycle Management and Development Tools," said David Rubinstein, vice president of editorial and operations at BZ Media and editor-in-chief of SD Times. "That makes it quite difficult to select those companies at the 'top of the heap'— but that's what we did when choosing the 2015 SD Times 100. The editors carefully considered each nominee's products and services, thought leadership, and reputation. Because of companies like Sparx Systems, the future for software development is very bright!"

A free 30 day trial of Enterprise Architect is available from [www.sparxsystems.com/trial](http://www.sparxsystems.com/trial)

### About Sparx Systems

Sparx Systems is a global software company specializing in high performance visual modeling tools for planning, designing and constructing software-intensive corporate systems. Sparx tools are used by systems designers, corporate planners, business analysts, enterprise architects, standards developers and software engineers.

Sparx modeling software is widely used in finance, defense, government, aerospace, automotive engineering, geospatial, entertainment, health, smart grid, aviation, retail and telecommunications. Over 80 per cent of Fortune 100 companies have licensed Sparx Systems flagship modeling tool Enterprise Architect. In the past decade the Sparx user-base has grown from 30,000 to more than 350,000 individuals worldwide. Sparx tools are based on the Unified Modeling Language (UML), an open standard developed by the Object Management Group (OMG), where Sparx Systems is a Contributing member. Sparx Enterprise Architect provides robust support for team-wide collaboration, and can scale up from single-user deployment to teams with dozens or even hundreds of collaborators - including remote collaborators. Sparx software is price competitive even when deployed across the entire development team.

Sparx Systems has won seven consecutive SD Times Top 100 awards and two Readers Choice Merit Awards from Visual Studio Magazine and Jolt. Now at version 12, Enterprise Architect is available directly from Sparx or - bundled with expert support and comprehensive training services - from a network of more than 300 technology partners active in North America, Europe, Australia, India, China, Japan, southeast Asia and Latin America. First developed in 1998, Sparx Systems' Enterprise Architect modeling tool was commercially released in 2000, and has enjoyed more than 15 years of continuous development and growth.

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