

Geleitwort

When I began JBoss as an Open Source project back in 1999, I never, beyond my wildest dreams, thought that JBoss could so quickly develop into the leading middleware force that it is today. It's incredibly exciting that Professional Open Source is depended on so much nowadays within governmental departments, telecommunications, finance, travel and so many other industries; where mission-critical applications are at the core of the services these industries offer. Just like so many other people, I simply take it for granted when I use a website that gives me the lowest price to travel, or do an online transaction with a bank!

JBoss has arrived. And I am proud that our success is being reflected by another wonderful book, this time by one that so effectively captures the essence of JBoss's capabilities while at the same time serving as a strong reference to all users, including any new folks just getting started in this amazing technology. Without forcing too much overwhelming information at the book's outset, Heiko Rupp instead leads the user gently forwards, uses short examples, and then expands in a logical fashion to present the bigger picture.

As well as JEMS and the JBoss Application Server, this first book about JBoss to be available in German also goes into detail on J2EE 1.4, AOP, JMS, JCA, JMX, Portable web services, and EJB 2.1, together with tips on how to configure various aspects, and some good administration pointers.

My grateful compliments go to Heiko and everybody who participates in the Open Source Community. For Open Source Java, this is a time of great progress, and our freedom to contribute to this progress ensures the horizons of Open Source can remain truly infinite.

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