

In Brief: Microsoft launches CodePlex

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Microsoft Tuesday launched CodePlex, an online collaborative software development portal that is also a vehicle for sharing source code, it said.

The announcement made at the Open Source Business Conference in London comes two days after Microsoft unveiled its unifying communications strategy for 2007 Office applications, in which the focus is software.

"CodePlex provides a forum to bring together developers from around the world and gives them tools, source code and an advanced platform for designing and building software," said Jon Rosenberg, director of Community Source Programs at Microsoft. "CodePlex is just one of the ways in which Microsoft is fostering collaborative community innovation. Through the Shared Source Initiative, Microsoft has engaged with over 2 million developers on 120 different programs."

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