



# Press Release: **newlook**<sup>TM</sup> DYNAMIC VISION

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## **newlook 6.0 supports web services and direct database access Extends multi-platform support to IBM eServer iSeries and zSeries**

**MELBOURNE AUSTRALIA, Feb 18, 2002** – looksoftware, the developer of **newlook**, announces **newlook** Release 6.0, a major release of the company's toolset for web-enabling, extending and integrating IBM eServer applications.

Release 6.0 includes strategic enhancements such as support for web services and distributed data management (DDM) that significantly extend **newlook**'s multi-platform application extension and integration support. Other features include Unicode based DBCS support, restricted 3270 data stream support and numerous customer enhancement requests. All new features are implemented dynamically, improving developer productivity and maintaining **newlook**'s established ease of use.

Marcus Dee, Director, **looksoftware**, said "Web Services standards such as WSDL, UDDI and SOAP have gained industry wide support and will play a key role in simplifying application integration and constructing composite applications. The **newlook** 6.0 developer requires no knowledge of web service intricacies for integration with eServer applications. XML parsing, HTTP connection initiation and management/error handling are managed by **newlook**."

DDM is a set of IBM defined services and protocols that provide transparent access to distributed data files for both eServer iSeries and zSeries hosts. This comprehensive data services support provides powerful application extension and integration capabilities. Combined with **newlook**'s user interface capabilities, developers can rapidly define new interfaces and applications without the constraints of the 5250 or 3270 data streams. DDM support provides fast record-level access for reading, writing, updating and deleting information stored in eServer databases.

Bill Benjamin, Vice President, Business Development of LANSAs Inc, the leading **newlook** reseller said, "**newlook** Release 6.0 significantly expands **newlook**'s capabilities and delivers key customer enhancement requests."

**looksoftware**, with Head Quarters in Melbourne, Australia, is a member of IBM's Tools Network Program. **newlook** is available globally from **looksoftware** and over 100 Business Partners including LANSAs, Fiserv and Sterling Commerce and is used by 800 customers globally. **newlook**'s intelligent, dynamic architecture provides a rapid environment for instant web-enablement, extension and integration of eServer applications.

**newlook**'s intuitive design eliminates traditional programming and compiling, resulting in increased productivity and responsiveness. **newlook** web-enables the thousands of existing, robust, functional eServer applications without having to learn complex new toolsets.

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