



Transaction Server V4.1 and WebSphere Business Events

An Introduction to WebSphere Business Events for System z







AGENDA: An introduction to WebSphere Business Events for System z

- Business Events Processing (BEP) Overview
 - •What is BEP?
 - Introduction to WebSphere Business Events (WBE)
 - Client Use Case Example
- Creating and Emitting Events from CICS
 - Overview of CICS Event Processing
 - CICS Event Tooling
- Demonstration CICS Event Generation Editor
- 6 Questions



Sense and Respond to Actionable Situations Business

Event Processing

...an Event?

Any electronic signal (message) indicating a change in the state of something has occurred or contemplated

...a Business Event?

Any event occurring within a business context.

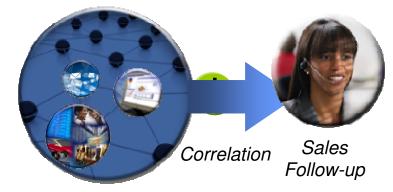
...Business Event Processing?

The ability to sense when a business event or event pattern has occurred (or not occurred) – indicating an actionable business situation – and to coordinate the right response (action) at the right time.



A New Location is Detected

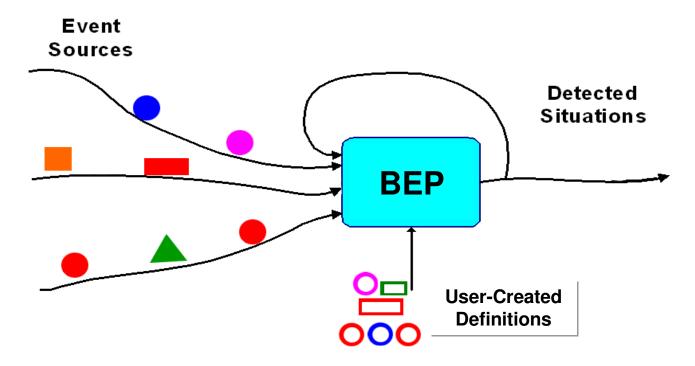
A PIN is changed



Multiple Product Inquiries



Correlate Business Events Over Any Source, Over Any Timeframe with Business Event Processing (BEP) – Before it is Too Late



"Events...pass silently back and forth...as unrelated pieces of communication. They are a <u>source of great power</u>, for when they are correlated, they yield a wealth of information."

-Dr. David Luckham, Professor Emeritus, Stanford University



The event processing landscape has changed drastically in recent years and will continue to grow at a near exponential pace

We have all this data, but no information" – CEO of a major US company

Large companies can experience up to <u>800</u> <u>Billion</u> business events daily

Nearly 4 Trillion RFID events are emitted each day





Over **190 Billion** emails are sent daily





Business Event Processing Turns Insight into Action



Business Context 2nd purchase in a week and total purchases this year > \$1000



Action: Offer loyalty program membership before customer leaves the store



Event



Business Context

Third consecutive period without signal



Action: Trigger automated troubleshooting process





Business Context

Calculated arrival > 30 min over SLA



Action: Phone customer to rearrange delivery



BEP Sense and Respond

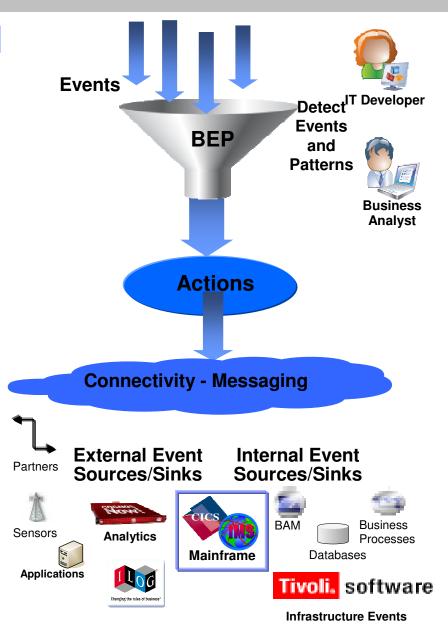
Turning Insight into Action

Event Processing is About Determining "When"

•WBE detects "when" an event or event pattern occurs (actionable situation) and generates one or more messages (actions) alerting the infrastructure

Knowing "when" Allows Coordination of "What"

 When any application or process, operating in the IT infrastructure, receives an alert message (posted by WBE) indicating an actionable situation has occurred, it will determine "what" to do" I.e. do nothing, execute and when finished create a new event message or not





Real world client example...

Turning Insight into Action

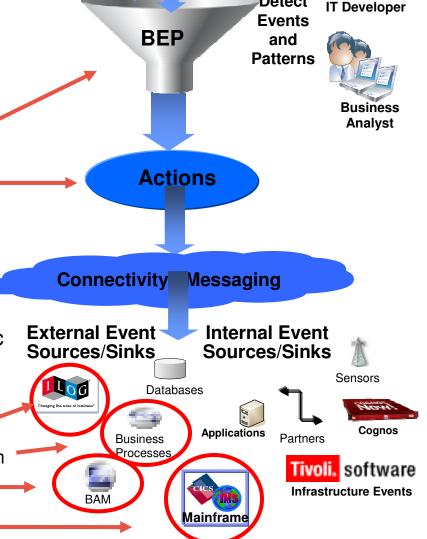
Event Processing is About Determining "When"

- Detect whenever a customer completes >2 purchases at the web, within 30 days
- Create Action (Alert) when detected

Knowing "when" Allows Coordination of "What"

Applications and processes containing logic for responding to repeat purchases will respond (execute) to the Action (alert)

- Determine if and what level of discount to offer
- •Execute process for sending the discount coupon
- Track results of the promotion
- Update Customer record in Mainframe

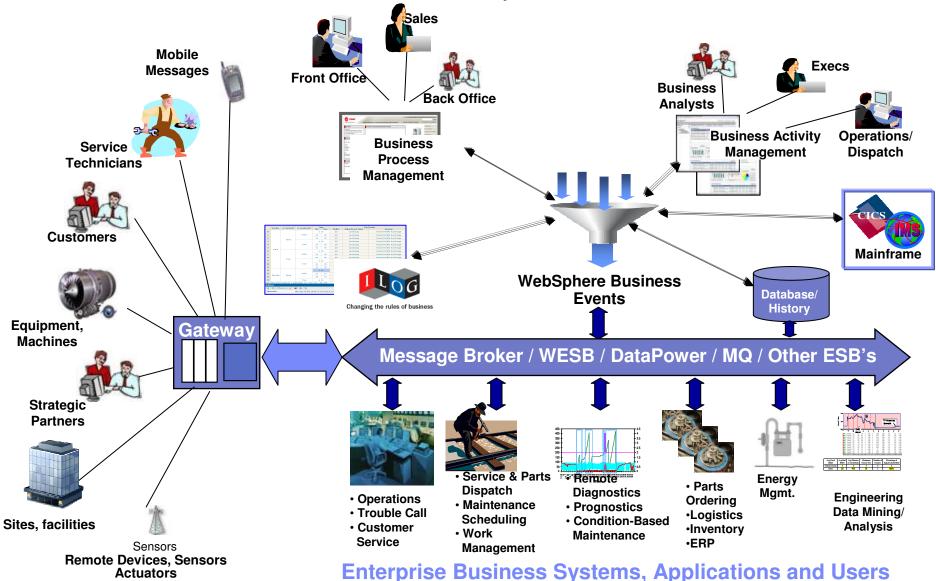


Detect

Events



Event Driven Architecture for the Enterprise...



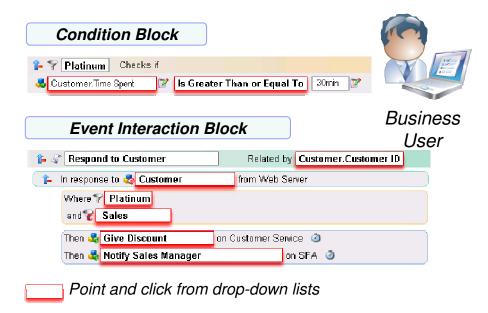


WebSphere Business Events Delivers BEP

Role-based User Interfaces Empower the Business

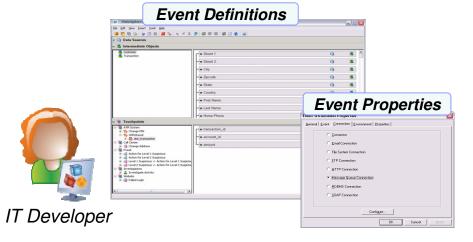
WebSphere Business Events Puts Power in the Hands of the Business User...

- Define business situations and responses
- All tasks performed via intuitive GUI



...Through Collaboration with IT, Allowing IT to Manage Resources

- Defines available events and properties
- Provides connectivity to event sources





Client Use Case Example About the Customer

- Customer is in the US Property and Casualty Insurance market
 - Offers auto, motorcycle, ATV, RV, boat, homeowners, renters, condo, mobile home, co-op, flood, life, overseas, commercial, umbrella and identity theft insurance policies
- Customer is in the top 10 in the US market
 - More than 9 million policyholders
 - More than 15 million vehicles insured













Challenges to Overcome

Growth Challenge

- Competition gaining market share through online customer acquisition
- Needed an effective way to turn "browsers" into "buyers"

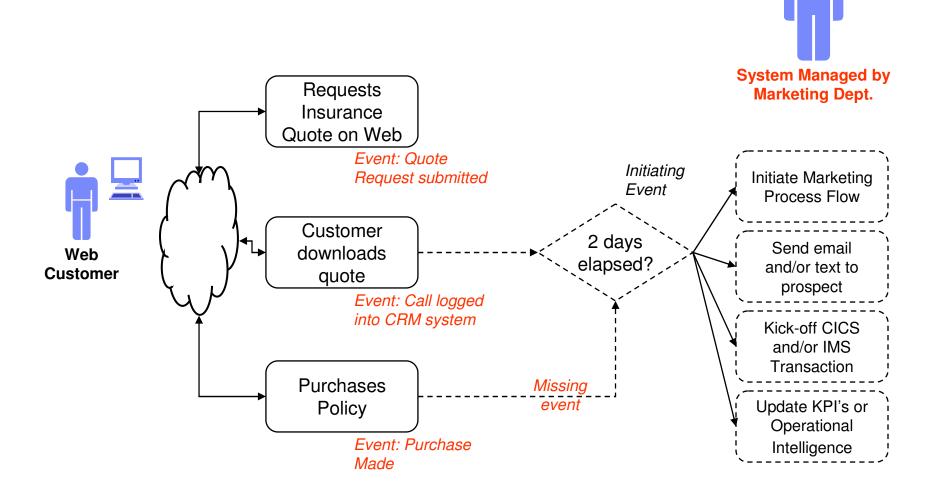
Agility Challenges

 IT unable to respond to new Marketing Campaign requirements in a timely fashion





WBE Delivers Smarter Insurance Online "Browser" to "Buyer" Conversion

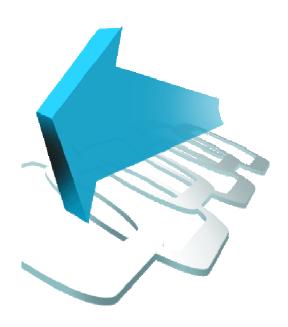




BEP Delivers Smarter Insurance

Results

- Implemented in 4 weeks
- New customer acquisition from online leads dramatically improved
- ROI in 1 month
- Time to implement ongoing online Sales and Marketing Campaigns reduced from <u>6</u> weeks to less then <u>a day</u>
- Marketing team is responsible for the on going management of the solution





Creating and Emitting Events from CICS







What is an event?

An event is

- Anything that happens (or is contemplated as happening)
- An event has a name and usually some data (its payload)
- Produced and responded to asynchronously

Simple event

- A single event, meaningful in itself
- e.g. order placement; bank account update; stock trade

Complex event processing

- Detect and respond to patterns of events
- e.g. three orders from customer A in 2 days; bank withdrawal after PIN change update; interesting pattern of stock trades

Business Event Processing

- Detect and respond to events that indicate business-impacting situations across the enterprise
- Extends event processing capabilities to business users
- e.g. IBM WebSphere Business Events (WBE) provides complex event processing for business users



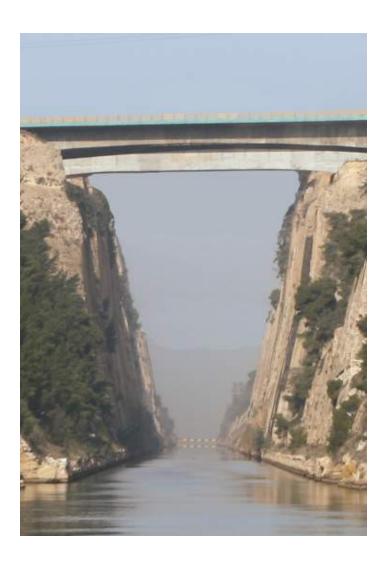
Business Event Processing Bridges the Gap

Puts power in the hands of the business user

- No coding required for defining business event patterns
- Tasks performed via tooling



Business User



Provides unique convergence of power, flexibility, and ease of use

- IT configures endpoints and payloads
- Leverages SOA infrastructure





CICS and Business Events

- Event processing addresses the need for agility
 - Modern businesses must react quickly to circumstances
 - Decision makers need reliable, timely information
- CICS systems run an enormous amount of existing business logic
 - 950,000 programmers earn their living from CICS
 - CICS handles more than 30 billion transactions/day valued at over \$1 trillion/week for 30 million end users of CICS Apps
- Using an Event-based approach, there is potential to gain insight into the processing in CICS and to introduce additional extensions to applications
 - In a dynamic, de-coupled fashion
 - Without the need to change the applications
- CICS TS V4.1 allows you to emit business events from existing applications
 - Supporting shifting corporate policies
 - Without having to modify the applications
 - And driving your choice of destination
 - WebSphere Business Monitor
 - · WebSphere Business Events
 - · CICS application or TSQ
 - Application through WebSphere MQ

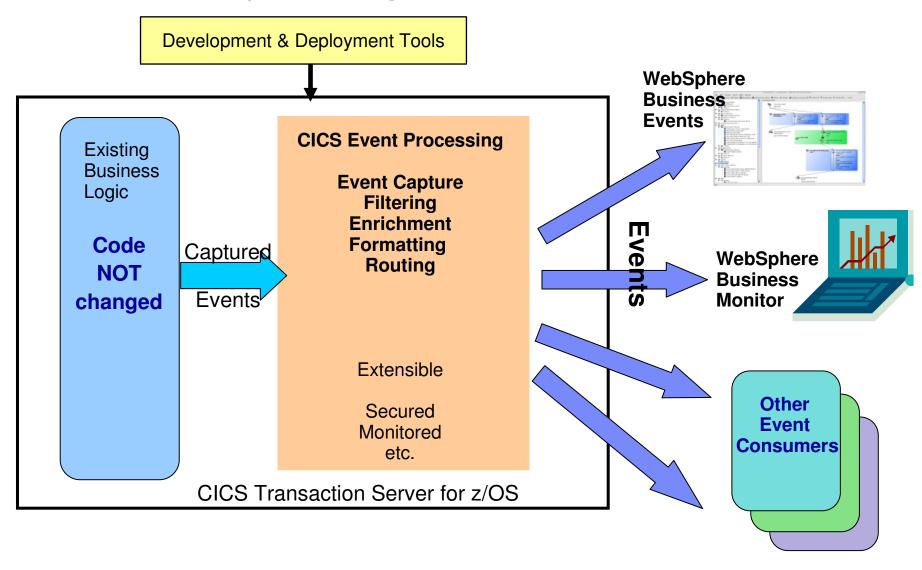


The Event Solution for CICS

- Events can be emitted without change to existing business logic by defining existing EXEC CICS calls (from the supported subset) as candidates to trigger events
- Events triggered when the predefined conditions are met:
 - Specified EXEC CICS Command, and
 - Specified file/program/service (for example), and/or
 - Running under specified transaction or program (for example)
- Filter conditions or predicates relating to event data can also control the event capture
 - for example "account balance must be less than 100 dollars"
- Once conditions are met, CICS will
 - Capture application data specified for the event payload
 - Apply any policy relating to the event
 - Emit the event through its associated Event Processing Adapter
- Events are specified using the Event Binding Editor tooling, under the CICS Explorer
- The CICS Explorer is used to deploy the events to CICS



CICS and event processing – overview





EP Scenario – Non-invasive change to business processing

Application extended by triggering new or existing separate program

For extra, asynchronous processing

Examples:

- Extend governance practices by automatically updating an audit log or sending an alert when certain data is viewed or altered
- Asynchronously send details of special offers or discounts when large customer orders have been placed
 - This example may be seasonal and is easily enabled/disabled without application change. The interpretation of a large order can be changed outside the application.



Original program continues processing independently Consumer program can run within CICS or externally

- Flexibility to use available skills and other resources
- Choice of processing platform depends on nature of processing, interaction with other subsystems



LOB optionally configures a dashboard



LoB Manager

Identify Business Events Specify Business Actions Optionally Configure Dashboard or Interaction Set



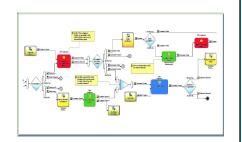
Application Analyst

Create Event Capture Specification

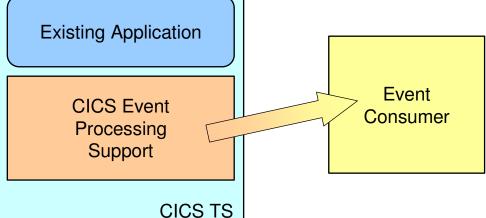


Systems Programmer

Deploy Events



Business Modeler





Business Dashboard



CICS Event Capture options

Non-invasive

- Declare event points in application logic without opening up the application
- Use application knowledge to map business event onto point(s) in the logic where the event occurs

Explicit API

EXEC CICS SIGNAL EVENT

- EVENT supplies an event identifier
- Data can be supplied as either FROMCHANNEL or Data area and length
- · Identifier to be used in event specification
- Explicit way of adding a capture point to an application
- · Allows exact pinpointing of the event point, and exact selection of relevant data
- Use to "event-enable" the application
- · Once this is done, the instrumentation can be used for different purposes
- Define as event within an event binding
 - · Allows filtering and selection of data to use for different business events
 - Allows event to be enabled and disabled
 - 'fast path' in tooling to simplify specification of explicit events



Eventable CICS Commands

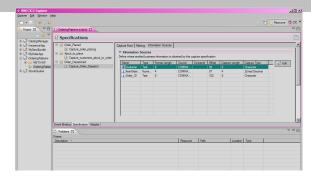
- Channel commands
 - PUT CONTAINER, START (TRANSID)
- File Control
 - WRITE, REWRITE, DELETE
 - READ, READNEXT, READPREV
- Interval Control
 - START, RETRIEVE
- Program Control
 - LINK, RETURN, XCTL
- Scheduling Services
 - START (ATTACH)
- Temporary Storage
 - WRITEQ TS, READQ TS, DELETEQ TS
- Transient Data
 - WRITEQ TD, READQ TD, DELETEQ TD

- Web support
 - INVOKE (WEB)SERVICE
 - WEB READ, WEB READNEXT
- BMS
 - RECEIVE MAP
 - SEND MAP
 - SEND TEXT
- Terminal Control
 - CONVERSE, RECEIVE, SEND
- New APIs
 - SIGNAL EVENT, INVOKE SERVICE
- Program initiation
 - Enable event when program starts





CICS Event Tooling



Event Binding Editor

Eclipse editor feature, operating on event binding files (type .evbind)

Event Binding Editor is a plug-in to the CICS Explorer

- Create event binding(s) within a Bundle Project
 - CICS Explorer provides support to deploy bundles containing event bindings

Event binding can be built up in stages

- Validated against schema each time it is saved, other validation as information added
- A problems pane keeps a running record of all errors



CICS Event Specification

Event specification

- Business event name
- Description
- Emitted Business Information

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Event Specification

Capture Specification

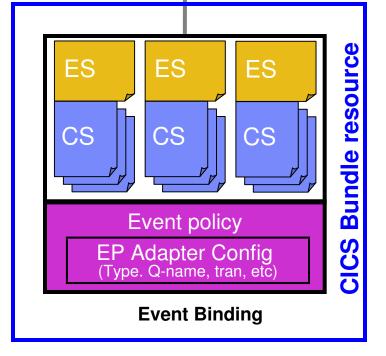
- · Business event name
- Capture point
- Filter (predicates)
- Information Sources

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Event Specification associated with Event Capture Spec(s)

Event Binding

- Event Specification(s)
- Capture Spec(s)
- Adapter configuration & event policy information



CICS Event Specification Example

Event Specification:

Event name: order OverTenThousand Received

Event description: Whenever an order is processed that is for over 10 thousand, this event is triggered

Emitted business information: customer ID, OrderNumber

Capture Specification:

Before EXEC CICS LINK command

← Capture Point

to PROGRAM(OrderDB)

← Application Command Options Predicate

from current program = OrderUI

← Application Context Predicate

where OrderVal > 10K

← Application Data Predicate

OrderVal is in the Commarea or channel passed on the LINK

How to provide event data from data available from application and context ← Information Sources (Captured Data)

Note: This identifies an EXEC CICS command and some filters, it does not 'point' directly at a specific location in the application code; the capture spec can be made more or less specific by use of filtering predicates

Event Binding:

order_OverTenThousand_Received,

order_FromMajorCustomer_Received, ...

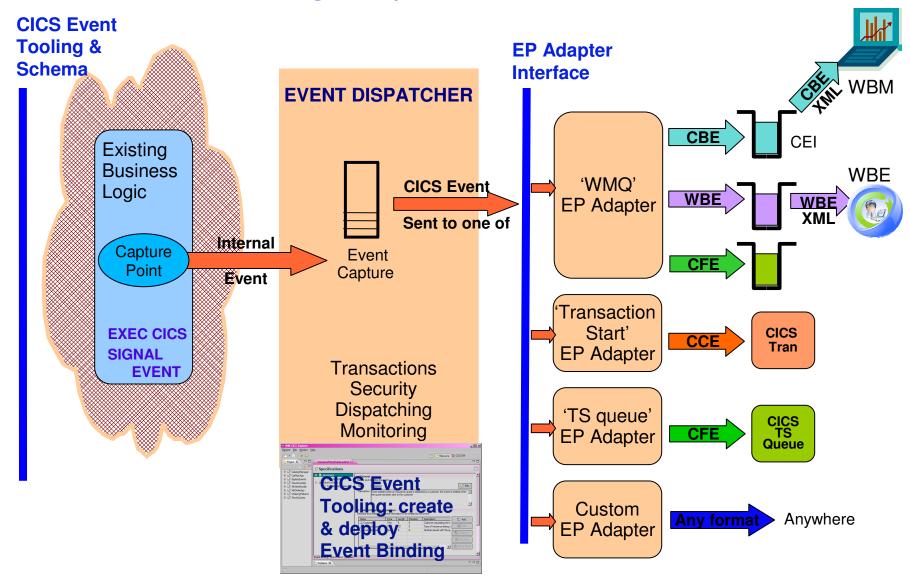
EP Adapter = CICSTransaction

 \leftarrow Event binding includes other related events

← How events in this Binding are emitted



CICS Event Processing Adapters





Common Language Specifications from LOB

Deposit Event:

- Transaction Code
- Date
- Time
- Account Number
- Previous Balance
- Deposit Amount (Transaction Amount)

Withdrawal Event:

- Transaction Code
- Date
- Time
- Account Number
- Previous Balance
- Withdrawal Amount (Transaction Amount)



Discovery from the Application Analyst

CICS Region: CICSPR02

TransID: BNKW / BNKD

Prog Name: EBPROGW / EBPROGD / EBPROGU

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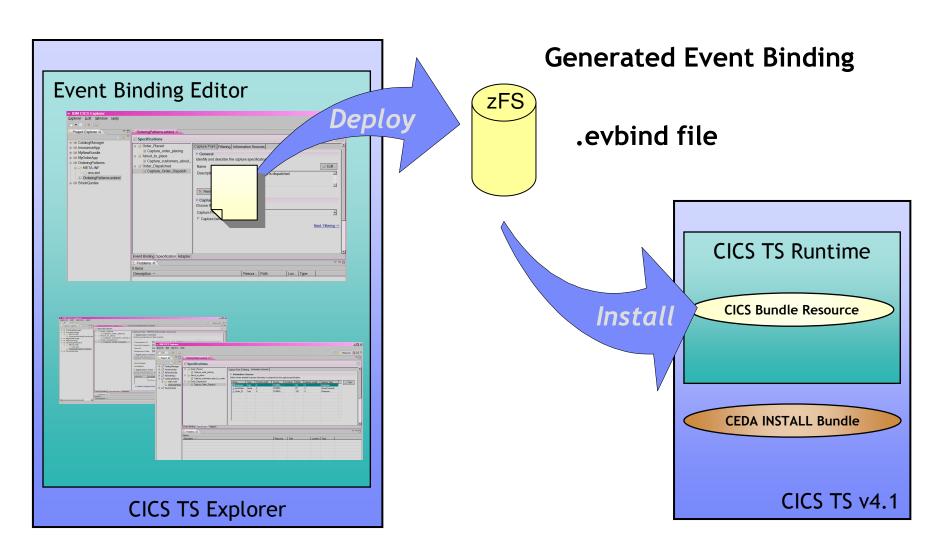


Create Artifacts Using the CICS Explorer

- zSummitDemo -- Project
 - zSummitDemo_EventBinding
 - zSummitDemo_Event_spec
 - zSummitDemo_Capture_SpecD
 - zSummitDemo_Capture_SpecW
 - > SUMMITDEMO (TSQ)
- zFS /u/dds0577/zSummitDemo
- BUNDLE(ZSUMMITB) G(EBGRP)



Deploy an Events Bundle ...





CB11: CICS Events for WBE SupportPac

- CICS SupportPac CB11 provides a taster of CICS acting as a source of events to WBE
- The SupportPac runs on CICS TS V3.1 and V3.2
 - Made available December 2008 (refreshed May 2009 to run on CICS TS V4.1)
- Requires a change to existing CICS application code
 - Invoke the program supplied by the SupportPac, passing event details in a channel
- The SupportPac formats the event information into XML conforming to WBE format
 - Emits the event for consumption by WBE (or other consumer program) via the WebSphere MQ transport
- WBE can include the event in interaction blocks to carry out pattern matching etc.



Finding Capture Points – CICS Interdependency Analyzer

- Use CICS IA to discover
 - Which transactions update which resources
 - e.g. where is my PIN number file updated?
 - where are order numbers read from the TS queue?
 - The runtime flow
 - e.g. which program is linked to when an insurance quote is requested?
- Ensure capture specification filters are sufficiently specific
 - How many programs use this resource?
- Can also use CICS IA Plugin to CICS Explorer



Demo - Defining events via the Event Binding Editor

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Event Specification

Capture Specification

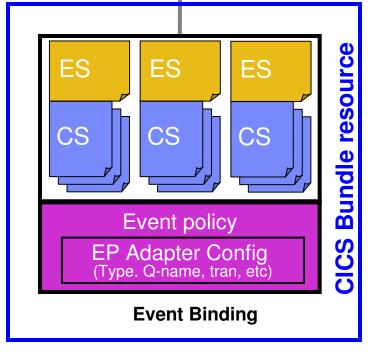
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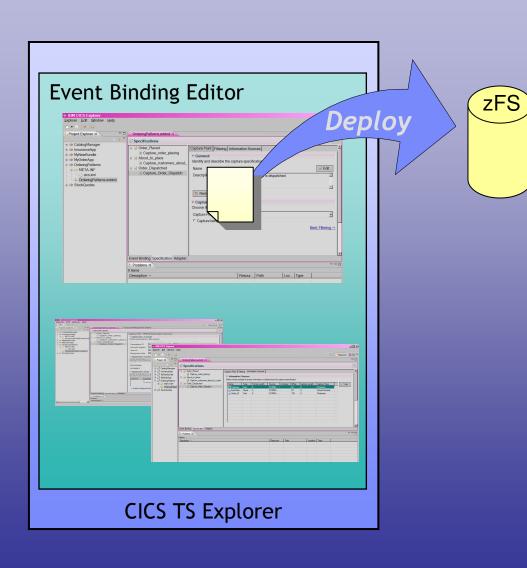
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Deployment to z/OS



Generated Event Binding

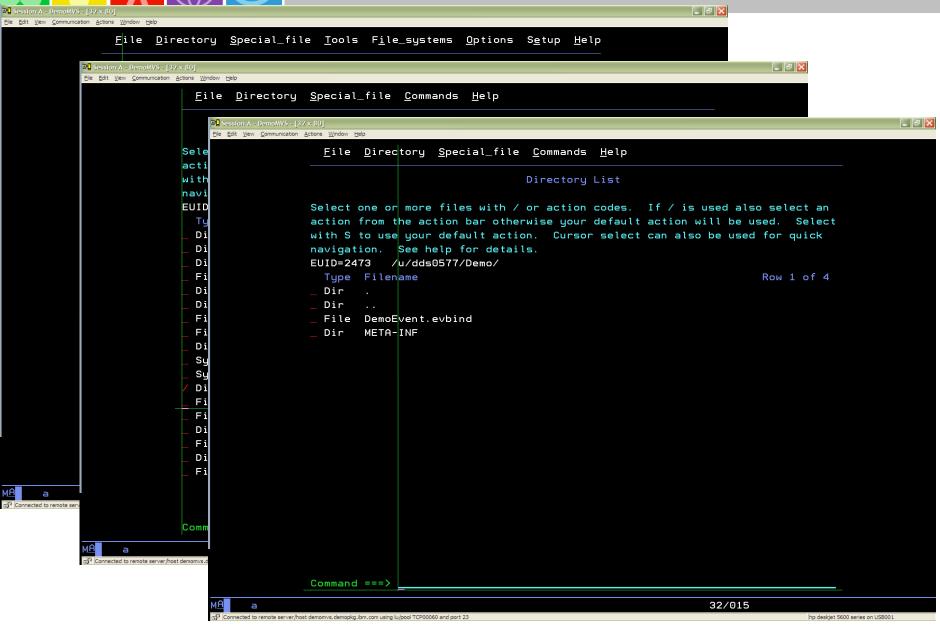
.evbind file

CICS TS Runtime

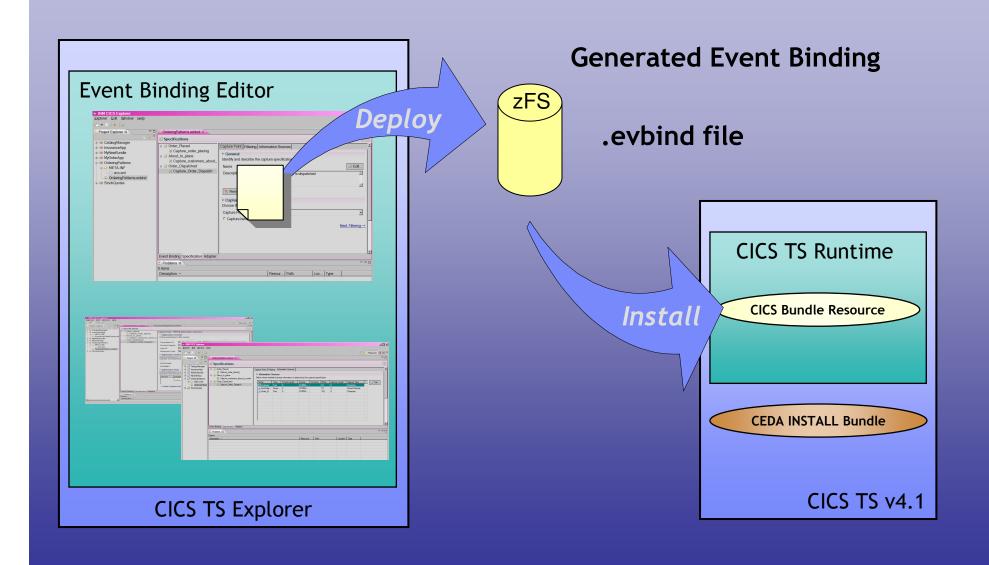
CICS TS v4.1





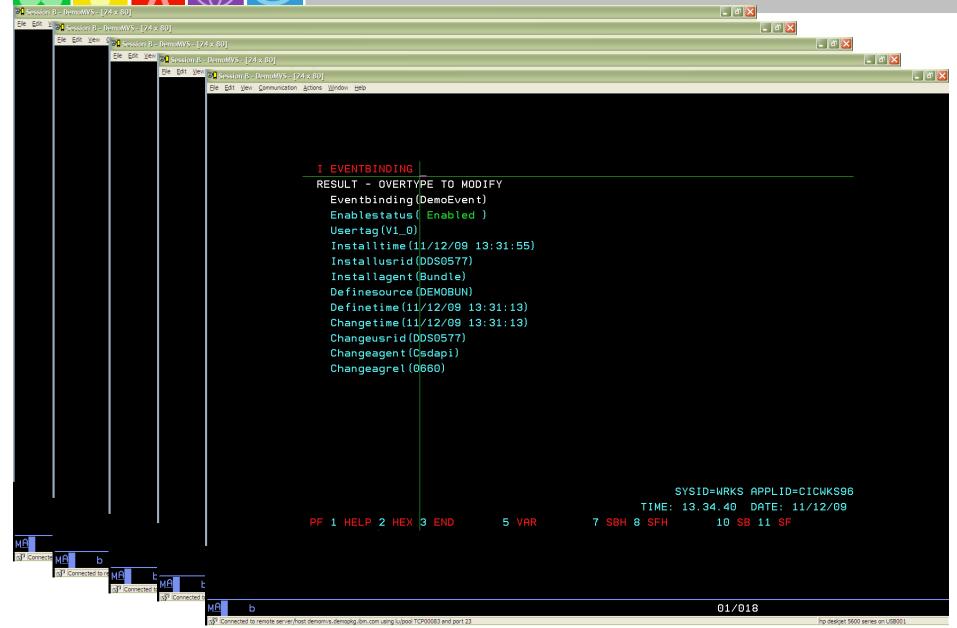


Deployment into CICS



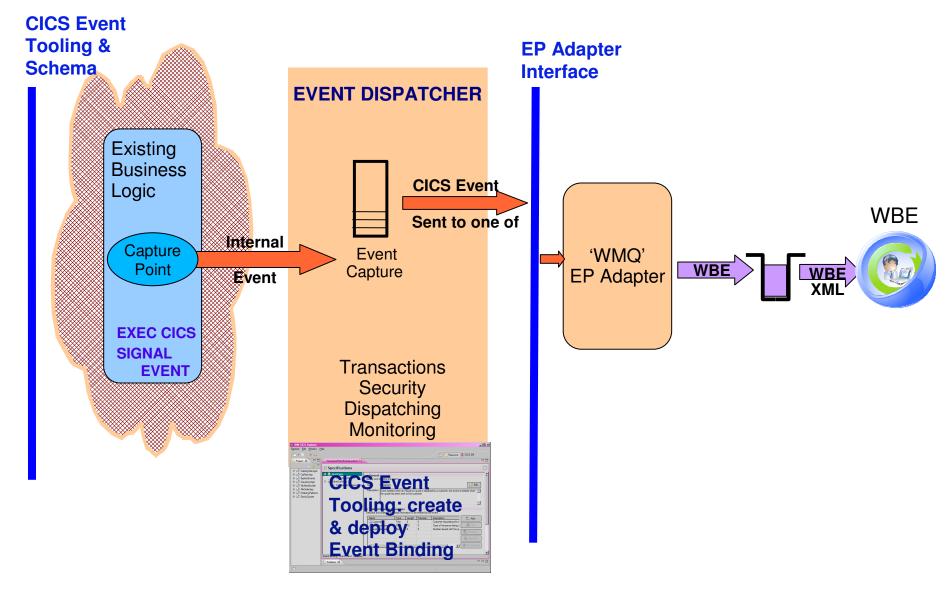








Our Event is now Active





CICS and Events Summary

- Non-invasive emission of business events from CICS applications
 - Without need to change existing business logic
- SIGNAL EVENT API for explicit instrumentation of events
- Event Binding Editor tooling within CICS Explorer to create event specifications
- Event specifications deployed to CICS via bundles containing event bindings
 - Specifies event and the emitted business data, and how it can be detected and captured by the CICS runtime
 - Specify event capture points as EXEC CICS command (a subset of the EXEC CICS API) plus filtering on command parameters and data
- Events dispatched to specified EP adapter for formatting and emission to event consumer consumers including WBE and WBM
 - CICS-provided EP adapters plus capability for custom EP adapters



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Resources

- CICS Event Processing SupportPac CB11:
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=1083&uid=swg24021039
- YouTube CICS Events and WebSphere Business Events providing Insight in to Action
 - http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S0orwDxSOvM
- IBM Redbook Implementing Event Processing with CICS
 - http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redbooks/pdfs/sg247792.pdf
- IBM Whitepaper Implementing Event Processing with CICS
 - Implementing Event Processing with CICS
- How to use event processing in CICS: Part 1 & Part 2
 - Part 1
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- WebSphere Business Events
 - http://www-01.ibm.com/software/integration/wbe/library/
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