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New User Group launches to help developers understand the complexities of .NET.

A new User Group has been launched to help professional developers using .NET technologies get to grips with the many facets of the .NET framework.

WILTSHIRE, UK, 13TH MARCH 2003 - Richplum Ltd is pleased to announce the formation of the DotNet Developers Group (DDG) to provide software developers with essential information and training through regular meetings and a magazine issued 6 times a year.

The DDG has been formed for developers working with, and evaluating, the .NET Framework. The group will encompass C#, ASP, Delphi for .NET, and other languages as appropriate. Its purpose is to promote the interchange of ideas, sharing of knowledge and collaborative working between members. Joanna Pooley, Director of Richplum Ltd, said: "We are bringing to the DDG over 15 years experience of working with professional software developer groups. Our aim is to foster the community spirit that makes user groups such a valuable resource to working developers, regardless of the size or nature of the organisations in which they work."

Ivo Salmre, Product Manager for .NET Developer Tools and Technologies at Microsoft commented: "The formation of this group is a direct result of the increasing adoption of the Microsoft .NET Framework and we see it as an important way for our developer customers to gain information and learn about how these technologies can be used."

Meetings and Members' magazine

Four meetings have been confirmed for 2003 at Microsoft's Campus in Reading, Berkshire, and in London. Additional events will be announced later this year. A magazine containing technical articles, reviews and group information will be mailed to members every two months, with the first issue at the end of April.

Membership fees

Membership of the DDG is £150+VAT per year. As a special inaugural offer, those joining before Easter 2003 will receive more than 2 months free membership, with an extended renewal date.

Further information can be found at www.richplum.net, and by contacting the DDG at ddg@richplum.net or telephone +44(0)1980 630602.

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About Richplum

The DDG is a division of Richplum Ltd, incorporated in 1986 to provide PC software consultancy, development and training services. For the last 7 years Richplum has run other successful User Groups and conferences for the developer community.

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