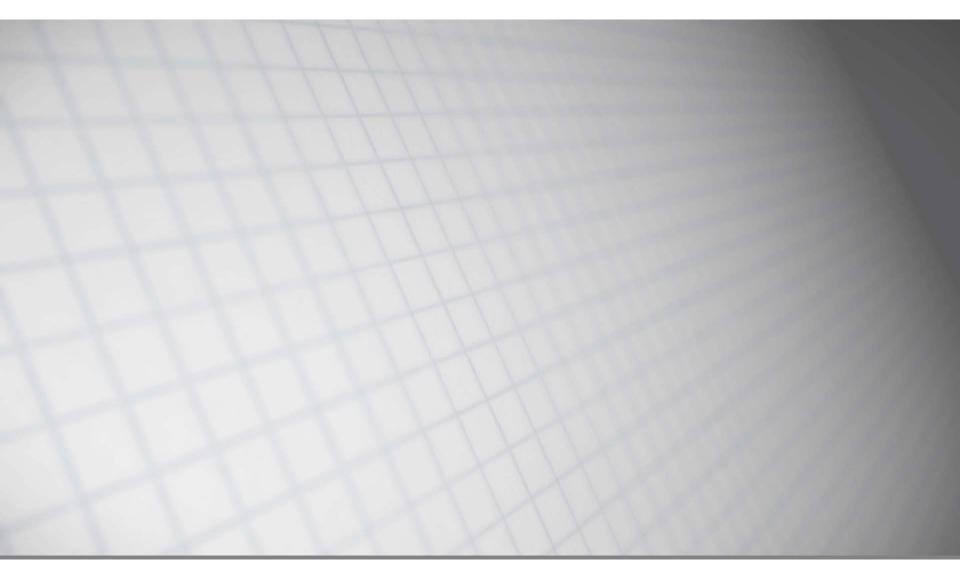
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# SmartComponent Library The OpenEdge Application Modernization Framework

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# **Consultingwerk Ltd.**

- Independent IT consulting organization
- Focusing on OpenEdge and related technology
- Located in Cologne, Germany
- Customers in Europe, North America, Australia and South Africa
- Vendor of tools and consulting programs
- 25 years of Progress experience (V5 ... OE11)
- Specialized in GUI for .NET, OO, Software Architecture, Application Integration

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# **OpenEdge®** application modernization solutions

- WinKit
- SmartComponent Library
- Dynamics4.NET
- Tools can be used together or separately
- Share common code base

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### **SmartComponent Library**

- Developer Framework aimed to increase
   Developer productivity and flexibility
- Reduce or avoid repeating tasks
  - Tools (code generation and round-trip dev.)
  - Functional Application Framework functions
  - Integration with existing OpenEdge tools
- Allow integration with existing Applications and Frameworks (3<sup>rd</sup> party or home grown)
- Allow usage of individual framework components as needed (not all or nothing)

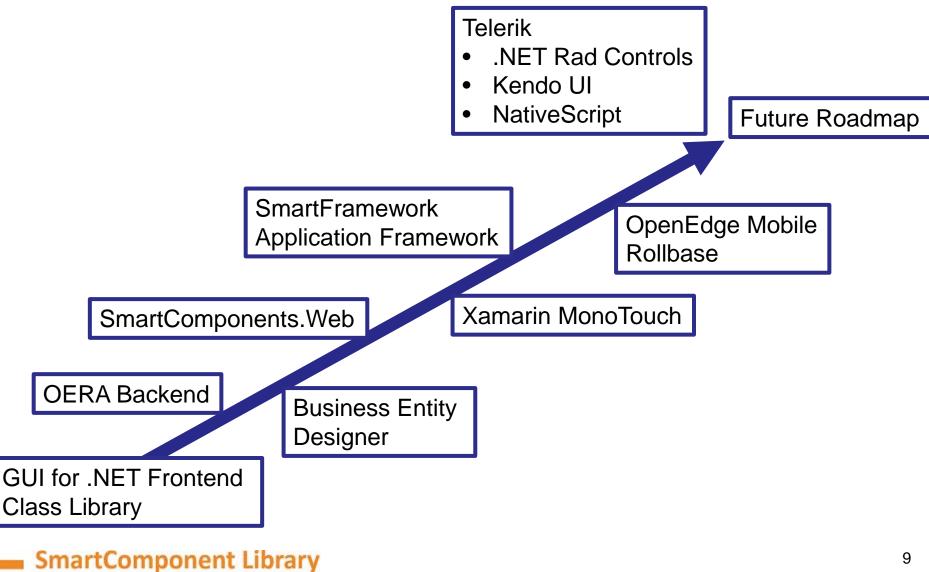
- Provide Best Practices (object-orientation, ABL, OERA = OpenEdge Reference Architecture)
- Don't force developer in a certain direction, remain flexible for different requirements
- Backend business logic as the application "gold"
- Support for UI flexibility
  - Multiple UI's for the same application
  - UI of the month...
- Optional use of Application Framework (Security, Menu, Localization, ...) or existing
   SmartComponent Library

### **SmartComponent Library**

- "eat your own dog food"
- Most of our tools are written using our own libraries, 99.9% ABL code
- Full source code shipped to customers
- Weekly incremental releases (48 releases/year)
- Allow legacy code integration (call in/out)
- do not restrict the possibilities, allow customization
- don't understand "best practices" as the "only right way"

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#### **Main Milestones and Building Blocks**



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#### **Backend Overview**

- The SmartComponent Library provides a flexible OERA Backend Architecture
- <u>OpenEdge</u> <u>Reference</u> <u>A</u>rchitecture
- Business Entities, Data Access Objects are a key component
- Tools to help developers to stay within the architecture
- Business Tasks, including ability for scheduled or async processing
- Common Infrastructure Components

#### **Business Logic Design Process**

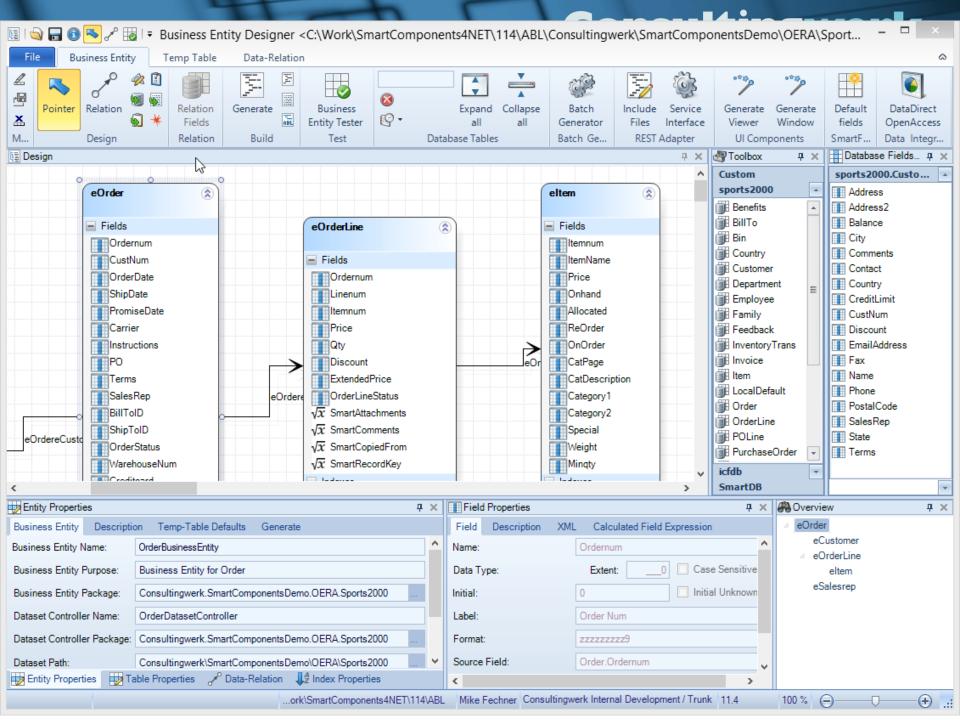
- Main Business Logic Components are
  - Business Entities: High level business rules
  - Data Access Objects: Data retrieval and update
  - Business Task objects
- Multiple programming paradigms
  - object-oriented
  - ProDataset based or object-relational
  - procedural

# **Business Logic Principles**

- Built around ProDatasets or object relational
- Strong OO foundation, OOABL enhancements
- Use Data Source objects or your preferred way of populating the ProDataset
- Strict separation of layers:
  - UI design process separated from BL design process
- Business Entities are a foundation for Business Tasks
- ProDatasets: relational data container
- Alternative: Entity Classes or Model Classes

### **Business Logic Design Process**

- Template based, Visual Design using Diagrams
- Flexible source code generator
  - Customizable templates
  - Customizable code generator (ABL class)
- Plugin Infrastructure (integrate your own ABL code)
  - Influence automatic naming and design process
  - Add and enhance code generation
- Query custom repositories during design phase
- Ad-hoc based Business Entity Test utility



- Create SalesRep Business Entity
- Review in Progress Developer Studio
- Add "CustomDescription" and "AverageQuota" Calculated Fields

- Create Customer Business Entity
- Query Customer using DatasetModel
- Add Validation on Name
- Update using DatasetModel
- Add custom method to Business Entity
  - Put Customer On Hold
- Invoke custom method using Model Method

- Creation of a Customer-Order-OrderLine-Item Business Entity using the Designer
- Review generated source code
- Ad-hoc Query using Business Entity Tester

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### **Business Logic reuse – write once use in:**

- OpenEdge GUI for .NET
- OpenEdge GUI/TTY/Batch
- Telerik Kendo UI
- Telerik Mobile and NativeScript
- WebSpeed
- OpenEdge BPM
- Native Mobile Applications (Xamarin Studio)
- Progress Rollbase
- Web Services and REST Services
- Sonic ESB
- DataDirect ODBC
- Unit Testing frameworks







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#### **GUI for .NET Frontend overview**

- GUI for .NET client infrastructure
- Extension to OpenEdge UltraControls / Infragistics NetAdvantage for .NET Controls
- Other Control sets may be used
- Tighly Integrated into the .NET Visual Designer
   configuration of behavior and design in a single
  - and intuitive place
  - no restrictions to the way .NET Controls are used
  - wizards and property sheets for repetitive tasks

#### **User Interface Design Process**

- Screen design based on rich foundation classes
- Compose Forms by adding rich
   SmartComponents and standard .NET Controls
- Connect and parameterize SmartComponents using property grid and Wizards
- Data centric design process: Achieving UI
   Design productivity similar to the AppBuilder

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#### **User Interface Design Process**

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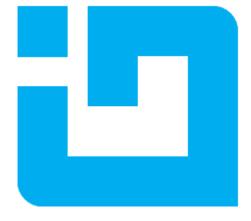
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# **Tight integration with Control libraries**



- Infragistics NetAdvantage .NET Controls / Infragistics WinForms
- OpenEdge UltraControls
- Following Progress' acquisition of Telerik we will provide optional support for Telerik RadControls (available fall 2015)





- Use Business Entity Designer to generate UI
- Open in Visual Designer
- Add Salesrep Lookup in Visual Designer
- Add to Menu Structure using Drag and Drop
- Build Viewer in .NET Visual Designer
- Build Form in .NET Visual Designer

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### **Support for Progress/Telerik Mobile**

- SmartComponent Library Backend and Progress/Telerik Mobile and Web Options = perfect matcn!
- Generation of fully functional Business Entity Service Interface from Business Entity Designer
- ... just deploy to REST Adapter and start building OE Mobile screens
- Alternatively use Generic Service Interface for JSDO based client

#### **Demo Telerik Mobile Platform**

- Create a new hybrid mobile project in Telerik Mobile platform
- Add access to SalesRep Business Entity
- Leverage same Business Entity in Web and Desktop
- Recorded version of the demo: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-63Wzpjs9c</u>

#### **Demo Kendo Ul**

- AppServer Backend
- Generate Kendo UI Grid Screen
- Server-side filtering, sorting





#### **Demo Kendo Ul**

Code Review JSON Generation Classes

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#### **Progress Rollbase**

- PaaS for rapid building of applications for the web (HTML and JavaScript)
- IDE in web browser
- Applications for known users
- Portals for anonymous users
- Hosted by Progress Software or on your own cloud
- Suited for building "satellite apps" around core business OpenEdge application



### **SmartComponent Library as backend**

- Rollbase can access OpenEdge "services" for CRUD operations
- Business Entities as data source
- Wizard in Business Entity Designer generates Interface class or generic REST service
- Complex filter support (batching, sorting)
- CRUD with support for validation
- Based on REST calls to AppServer

#### **SmartRollbase Adapter**

- Query Rollbase Data (into Temp-Tables)
- Modify (CRUD) Rollbase Data
- Query Rollbase meta data from OpenEdge for Interface generation
- Generate ABL Temp-Table from Rollbase objects
- Modify Rollbase Metadata from ABL code

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### **DataDirect OpenAccess for OpenEdge**

- Access your OpenEdge business logic from standard desktop applications such as Crystal Reports, Qlik View, MS Office
- Turn ABL business logic into standard ODBC data sources
- Provide BI access to application data and business logic not just the SQL database
- Use ABL code to create reporting views





# **DataDirect OpenAccess for OpenEdge**

- Use ABL data access and data utilization
- Reuse of existing ABL code possible
- Manipulate query string from the ABL
- Leverage existing application security when accessing data
- Leverage existing validation logic when processing data updates, including support for database trigger!
- Access your data in LAN and via Internet

## **One-click integration with OpenAccess**

- Expose Business Entities as ODBC data source
- Define result set properties and generate all required assetts

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### Demo

- Expose Order Business Entity as ODBC Data Source
- Add Calculated field with Order total
- Review interface procedure and JSON Catalog

### **Feature review**

- One-click interface generation thourgh wizard
- Template based
- Join multiple Business Entity tables into a single result table
- Calculated field support
- Define execution limits (number of rows and number of seconds)
- Query manipulation support

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# **SmartComponent Library and WinKit**

- SmartComponent Library and WinKit are part of our GUI for .NET adoption and migration strategy
  - WinKit: Enhancement of existing screens
  - SmartComponent Library: New functionality
- Shared framework foundation classes
- Compatible directory and project structure
- Used side by side in customer projects
- 40 different WinKit implementations already
- WinKit included in SmartComponent Library

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#### **Alternative**

Migration of existing Applications



## **Migration and Modernization options**

- Enhance and extend existing applications
- SmartComponent Library integrates with existing applications and frameworks
- SmartComponent Library functionality can be accessed by existing code
- SmartComponent Library may access existing code, depending on the kind of code
  - direct execution or through adapters
  - custom service or component implementations

Don't worry about SHARED VARIABLES etc...
 SmartComponent Library

# **Migration and Modernization options**

- Source code migration
- Options vary based on current code
- Strong usage of Proparse for analyzing source code, importing into Business Entity Designer
- Migration of ADM2 or Dynamics applications
- Migration of custom applications possible
- Template based migration of UI components

### Demo

- Import existing temp-table into Business Entity Designer
- Migration of ABL GUI into GUI for .NET

### **Questions**



## **Don't miss my other presentations**

- Monday 11.00: Telerik .NET for Infragistics Users
- Monday 16.45: DIY: Lists, Enumerators, Enumerations, Serialization
- Tuesday 11.00: Modernization the SmartComponent Library
- Tuesday 14.15: Structured Error Handling
- Wednesday 11.00: Telerik Kendo UI with WebSpeed

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