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Larian chooses Kynapse for next generation role playing game

Paris/France, Oudenaarde/Belgium – December 21, 2006 – Kynogon, market leader in AI middleware solutions for the gaming and simulation industries, and Larian Studios, creators of the Divinity series of video games, announced today that Kynapse would be used as the AI solution for their new role-playing game.

“It’s a next-generation game that demands cutting-edge technology. We are relying on multiple top-notch middleware solutions and Kynapse was smoothly integrated with all the other external technologies we are using. In addition, our requirements for AI in the game are very challenging. We have thousands of characters running on very large and extremely dynamic terrains. Kynapse was the natural choice for our AI needs.” Swen Vincke, Managing Director at Larian Studios, declared.

Pierre Pontevia, CEO of Kynogon, added: “One of the challenges middleware providers face is to make the integration of our SDK into the client’s toolchain as fast and trouble-free as possible. Larian’s use of multiple technologies provided a unique challenge but we are very happy with the results. We are looking forward to working with Larian as they are visionaries with ambitious AI specifications.”

About Kynogon

Kynogon develops and markets A.I. software for real-time behavior simulation. Kynogon's technology is used by the world's leading game developers (Electronic Arts, Atari, Lionhead Studios, Real Time Worlds, SEGA, Turbine, ...) as well as industry leaders (EADS, British Aerospace, ...) Kynogon is offering Kynapse, a unique A.I. engine. With Kynapse, Non Player Characters can move around in any 3D dynamic world, understand their environment, hide, communicate, cooperate, drive vehicles, etc. For more information please visit www.kynogon.com.

About Larian Studios

Based in Oudenaarde, Belgium, Larian Studios is an award-winning independent game development studio which has created a number of highly successful fantasy role-playing games, including Divine Divinity and Beyond Divinity. Larian is currently working on a next generation fantasy role playing game. Larian Studios is also the developer of several online creative communities for kids, licensed by various major broadcasters. For more information please visit www.larian.com