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# NetBeans Plugin Development Workshop

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    - RCP Book- The Benefits of Modular Programming

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# What are we going to do today?

- We have already discussed some questions!
- We would do 2 exercises for the session.
- Observations & Summary
- Q & A

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# Exercise #1

- Lets go inside the NetBeans Integrated Development Environment.

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# Observations

- Wizards for Project, Files creation
- Code Generator
- Hyperlinks
- Menus, Toolbars
  
- Project Metadata
- XML Layer

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# Exercise #2

- Lets go a bit deeper inside the NetBeans Integrated Development Environment

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# Summary

- Everything you did was possible, because of the existence of numerous plug-in modules, primarily developed by NetBeans Engineering Team.
- Extra features, customizations done for personal use by community members.

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# Resources

- **NetBeans Platform Learning Trail**  
<http://platform.netbeans.org>
- **NetBeans RCP Tutorials**  
<http://platform.netbeans.org/tutorials>
- **Javadocs**  
<http://www.netbeans.org/download/dev/javadoc/>
- **Developer Documentation**  
[http://wiki.java.net/bin/view/Netbeans/DeveloperDocumen](http://wiki.java.net/bin/view/Netbeans/DeveloperDocumentation)

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# Books, Blogs and Mailing Lists

- **From the Blogosphere**

- **Geertjan-** <http://blogs.sun.com/geertjan>
- **Weblog-**  
<http://nbguru.wordpress.com/proj-netbeans/tryst-with-pla>

- **Mailing Lists**

- [dev@openide.netbeans.org](mailto:dev@openide.netbeans.org)
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- **Books**

"Rich Client Programming: Plugging into the NetBeans Platform"

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# Thank You

- Lets wrap up the session for the day!
- Now, we're out-of-the-box, so you have any questions?

