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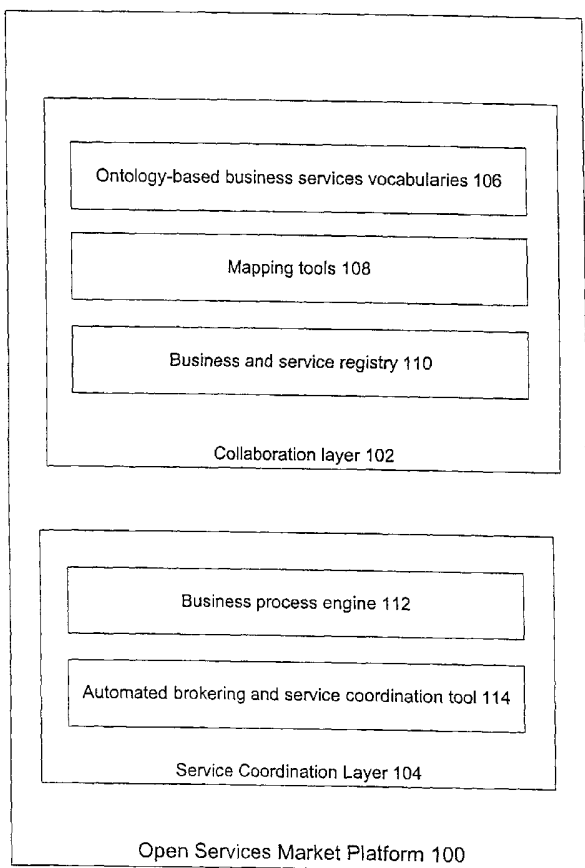
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(57) Abstract: A system and method for implementing an open services market platform in a public or private electronic marketplace. The open services market platform (100) includes a layered architecture that accelerates the development and customization of applications in a given marketplace and accommodates integration between multiple marketplaces and /or business partners. The open services market platform includes a collaboration layer and a service coordination layer (104). The collaboration layer (102) facilitates multi-party collaboration and provides tools that permit business partners to define relationships among various programming interfaces. The service coordination layer enables business logic to be rapidly customized to meet an organization's evolving needs and facilitates in the selection of an optimal trading partner for a given task. Therefore, electronic marketplaces built with the open services market platform are easily developed and customized to meet the evolving needs of participants within the marketplace.



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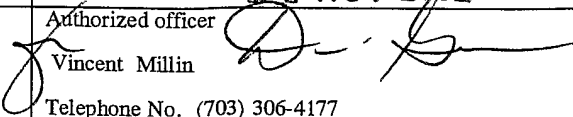
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