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With Lotus Mashups I can easily create applications with internal and external information to share with others.

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So here I am going to build a mashup.

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There are lots of widgets and data feeds I can use to build my mashup - widgets from products like Lotus Connections, Quickr, Domino, and external widgets. I'm going to take this organization map widget shell and add that to my page.

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What's important about mashups is not that I can drag and drop widgets onto the page, but that I can layer data right into my mashups and overlay the information into one context.

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So here I'm going to add to my organization map an organization feed, which will allow me to view people in my organization and also see some contact information associated with them.

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Now, let's say I was a Manager and I wanted to see all of the salaries of these people in my organization. I can take another feed - here we have the salary feed - and add that directly into my widget. Now, as I roll over people, you'll see that I also get their salary information

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And now, because this is a mashup, I can layer the data right here ... not just have the data side by side.

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Let's assume it's the end of the year and it's time for employees to re-instate their benefit details. I can add another content feed - here we have the benefits feed - and I can overlay that right into my widget, now adding more information showing me who has signed up and who hasn't.

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Not only can I layer data, but I can also wire widgets together as well. Here I am going to add another widget from a Domino database. This widget was created with Domino Designer which Maureen showed us a little bit earlier.

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I want to wire these two widgets so that when I select an individual, their HR details from Notes will appear. Here I can use the easy mashup wiring tool that allows me to connect these two widgets. I can choose to send their full name here – and I pick the widget that I want to send that information to, in this case the “employee tracker”. And I can run a manager search, and connect those two widgets together.

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So now, when I select individuals, their updated information comes from Domino and shows in the widget on the left.

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Widgets are not only limited to internal data. They can also use external data as well, from outside of your organization. Here’s another mashup example I’ve created, where I have all sorts of information – video photos, news – and it’s that easy to create mashups!

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