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Goslar, Germany - **December 06, 2009** – Soundbytes announces version 1.1 update for the entire Soundbytes VST plugin range.

The Update brings major improvements and stability to the VST synthesizers **BagPipes**, **HurdyGurdy** and **HurdyGurdy*LE*** as well as to the VST effect plugins **Sympathizer** and **StringVerb**.

This update is free for all registered users.

Demo versions of the Plugins can be obtained from:
www.soundbytes.de
Screenshots of the plugins are available from
www.soundbytes.de/?product_images

New features and improvements:

All Plugins

- New Value display allows to read and modify the exact parameter value for all knob and fader controls.
- New fine tune VST parameters allow exact retuning of all voices through VST automatisation. This works fine as well when only standard low resolution midi controlers are available.
- Midi note range borders can conveniently be inserted from a midi keyboard.
- Numerous bug fixes increase the overall stability and usability of the plugins.

VST Instruments
BagPipes, HurdyGurdy and HurdyGurdy*LE*

- The newly integrated midi monitor displays all incoming midi messages.
- Midi controler setup parameters are now stored independently from the patch data. Up to six midi configurations can be recalled.
- Stepper buttons change color when a note outside the recorded range is selected in the tuning and chanter range sections.
- Keyboard direction can be turned over in the HurdyGurdy instrument. This is very useful for those who play the traditional hurdy gurdy instrument where the keys play in reverse direction.
  The feature allows to play and practise traditional hurdy gurdy riffs and fingerings on a standard midi keyboard. (not available for BagPipes)

VST Effects
Sympathizer and StringVerb

- Resonator engine has been thoroughly redesigned.
- Location of tuning table files is remembered to enable effortless loading and saving of pitch list descriptions.
- New fader grouping option *copy* has been added. (Sympathizer only)

System Requirements

All Soundbytes VST Plugins can be seamlessly integrated within a great number of compatible VST host applications. Soundbytes plugins are currently only available for the windows platform.

Minimum Requiements: Windows XP and later, VST v2.4 or higher host software.

About Soundbytes

Soundbytes is a developer of sample libraries and music software with a strong focus on European traditional and historic instruments. Our aim is to provide convincingly sounding and and at the same time intuitively playable digital versions of historic and ethnic acoustic instruments. Soundbytes is located in Goslar, Germany.

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