

April 2003 - Sony Computer Entertainment Europe is pleased to announce the Autumn release of Hardware: Online Arena. Developed in house by SCEE's London Studio.

Exclusive to PlayStation®2, Hardware: Online Arena is a massive, broadband exclusive, multiplayer experience that puts the player in the driving seat of some of the most powerful military fighting vehicles in existence today. The players are brought together online, placed in a purpose built environment, equipped with some awesome weaponry and then let loose on each other with their primary purpose being to destroy their opponents as many times as possible.

Its gameplay comes straight out of the arcades, with simple controls and easy pick up and play appeal. It won't be long before you are hunting down your opponents and blowing their vehicles into hundreds of useless metal fragments. The pace is fast, the weapons spectacular and the vehicles deadly and quick.

The game is primarily an online Multiplayer experience, with single player offline games against A.I. 'bots' offering the user the chance to hone their skills before returning to the fray online.

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