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Recognition

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Professionals who get IT

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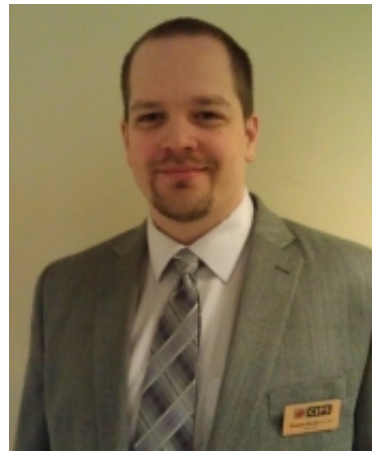


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Thomas Boxall, I.S.P., ITCP
Developer, ISM Canada
Director, CIPS Saskatchewan

What type of Involvement have you had with CIPS?

"I first heard about CIPS while in University, but didn't become involved until I joined ISM Canada. CIPS' desire to promote professionalism in the IT industry resonated with my desire to be an IT Professional. I started off as the Student Coordinator for CIPS Regina and participated on the CIPS Regina Board until their amalgamation with CIPS Saskatoon to create CIPS Saskatchewan. I continued to volunteer for CIPS Saskatchewan as a Student Coordinator in Regina. 2 years ago I was voted onto the CIPS Saskatchewan Board of Directors and took up the position as the Southern Saskatchewan Program Director. Last year the Northern Saskatchewan and Southern Saskatchewan Program Chairs were merged and I became the CIPS Saskatchewan Program Director. I owe a lot of my success to the hard work of our Executive Director Maria Galati, our partnership agreements with groups like PMI, IIBA, and the Regina Tech Community, and my desire to bring the best content to our members."

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Thinking about getting your MBA and your CIPS ITCP designation?

CIPS recently approved an entry route to the [Information Technology Certified Professional](#) (ITCP) designation for those ICT practitioners who have successfully completed the Australian Computer Society online [Computer Professional Education Program](#) (CPE Program).

CPEP is a postgraduate level ICT program with a strong focus on ICT and business alignment. The CPE Program consists of three core subjects, one elective and a Professional Practice component, allowing you to further develop your understanding in an area of interest to you. The course is offered online with a dedicated online learning platform that provides you with the flexibility to study at a time and place that suits you. You'll work closely with fellow students in a highly interactive virtual classroom, sharing experiences and knowledge all under the guidance of your subject tutor and, unique to the CPE Program, your own personal mentor.

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Government of Canada has pre-budget consultations with CIPS' Youth

On February 14th CIPS' youth were invited to take part in pre-budget consultations being held by the Government of Canada's Ministry of Human Resources and Skills Development. The meeting took the form of an informal conference call and was led by Dr. Kellie Leitch, O. Ont, MD, MBA, FRCS(C), who is the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada. CIPS' youth comprised of current students and recent graduates under the age of 30.

Dr. Leitch was looking for input from the CIPS' youth on what the Government is currently doing right, and what they can improve upon with respect to skills development programs. Dr. Leitch asked participants what critical items affected them from entering the workforce, and what barriers and challenges they encountered. Responses from CIPS' youth included making it easier for students from lower income families to get student loans, providing cheaper learning material options like e-books, and the need for more paying IT internships.

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Opportunity for Women in Tech industry: "TechWomen Canada 2013 Program"

[Click Here for the TechWomen Canada 2013 Program Flyer](#)

Also see: [TechWomen Canada 2012 Program Recap](#)

Step-By-Step: Resources to Help You Learn (via Microsoft TechNet) via Microsoft TechNet

As of late Pierre, Mitch and I have been traveling this great country we call home to bring the goodness of Microsoft's ecosystem to you hometown. [#CANITPRO](#) Camps, formerly known as IT Camps, have been a great opportunity to share our knowledge of offerings such as [Windows Server 2012](#), [Hyper-V Server 2012](#), [System Center 2012](#) and [Windows 8 for Enterprise](#) with the IT Professional community. In turn, attendees have been sharing their knowledge and experience back with us and we have been happy to participate amidst that conversation in person and online.

At present we, the Developer Platform and Tools team (DPE) here at Microsoft Canada, are currently working on version 2 of the Windows Server 2012 camp and a new Windows 8 Enterprise Management via System Center 2012 Configuration Manager camp. The camps are currently being built on recommendation provided by attendees of the first round of camps and final testing will be completed soon. During this brief pause of the [#CANITPRO](#) Camp tour we at DPE wanted to make available labs conducted during the camp as well as labs we were not able to get to so that learning could continue on your own time. Hence the Step-By-Step series was born.

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Toronto's iTech2013 IT Infrastructure Conference Represents the Best of the IT Community

Canada's largest IT infrastructure conference and exhibition series - the iTech2013 Conference - is coming to Toronto this May 16th at the International Centre. Bringing together premiere vendors, exhibitors, speakers, and specialists for a day of learning, networking, and experimentation, this year's conference promises to be the best one yet. Best of all, registrants who sign up to attend before May 1st get in FREE, giving them an all-access pass to the best IT opportunity of the year at zero cost.

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Title of research projects:

Project 1 - Assessing the adoption of software process improvement (SPI) programs in Canadian software development organizations.

Project 2 - Evaluating the determinants of information systems (IS) quality and success in Canadian software development organizations.

Date of ethics clearance: March 7, 2013

Ethics Clearance for the Collection of Data Expires: August 31, 2013

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[Manager-Service Level Agreements](#), Winnipeg, Manitoba
[SAP Administrator](#), Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
[Director of Information Technology; Computer Support Technician](#), Ancaster, Ontario
[IT Project Manager \(Systems Analyst III\)](#), Edmonton, Alberta
[Systems Analyst II \(SAP\)](#), Edmonton, Alberta
[SAP Analyst, Materials Management](#), Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
[Senior Computer Operator](#), St. Albert, Alberta
[Director Primary Care Solutions](#), Winnipeg, Manitoba

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New:

Paul Orlando, Renowned Global Start-up Wizard, Serial Entrepreneur

Paul Orlando runs a lean startup bootcamp called [Startups Unplugged](#) and is also co-founder of [AcceleratorHK](#), a mobile startup accelerator. Previously, he co-founded a startup in New York and worked in telecom in China. He focuses on early-stage startups (pre product-market fit). He has presented data and entrepreneurial tales in Asia and the US at events including InvestHK, BizSpark, Make a Difference Asia, Columbia, StartupsHK, Kairos Society, DorkBot, and the Levin Institute. He also had lots of fun helping build a 2012 TechCrunch Disrupt Hackathon winner. (AcceleratorHK is a three month accelerator based in Hong Kong, focused on mobile startups doing hybrid development with HTML5. We have a full program in the Lean Startup and Customer Development techniques, mentors, and technical help to make cross-platform development easier. [Forbes](#) just named Hong Kong the #1 tech capital to watch after Silicon Valley and New York.)



Robert Deutsche, Global Top Technology Expert and Executive

Robert Deutsche, Principal Architect/Systems Engineer - Enterprise Cloud Solutions, SOA, IT Transformation & Data Center Consolidation. Bob Deutsche provides business and technical advisory services as well as thought leadership to mid-level and senior-level executives in the Global 50 and public sector. With 30 years of experience in industry, Bob has held senior level positions with companies that most recently include Intel, CSC and Deloitte. With a varied background that includes data center operations, software development and CIO positions in both enterprise and LOB IT organizations, Bob has an extensive and pragmatic knowledge of cloud solution frameworks, big data, information security investments, enterprise architecture, business process improvement, business process reengineering, organizational change management, software development (CMM Level 4/5 organizations), systems engineering, and governance frameworks. His passion is to insure that technology investment is based on the benefit it provides to the enterprise.

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