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CIPS' Strategic Planning Sets the Stage for an Exciting Year

In January 2012 CIPS ran a workshop to develop a renewed vision and strategic plan. Coming together was the Chair of the CIPS National Board, Directors of Accreditation and Professionalism, National Staff, International Liaison, and Provincial Representatives.

There is an urgency to spark the growth and importance of CIPS and I.T. as a profession. Together we will advance and position the I.T. profession, while creating a vibrant and professional I.T. society. This will require CIPS members across Canada to get involved and contribute. CIPS relies on its great membership base to volunteer their time to make an impact locally, nationally, and internationally.

Over the next few months details about the various projects and how you can become involved will be made available. In the meantime contact your CIPS Province/Section and get involved locally.

Volunteer today and leave your mark on the growth of the I.T. profession! - www.cips.ca/volunteer

Also check out the new CIPS Volunteer Job Board and look out for new postings - www.cips.ca/volunteerjobs

2011 CIPS Achievement Award Winners

Congratulations to the following 2011 CIPS Achievement Award Recipients!
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New Honorary Fellows:
Michael Williams, Hon. FCIPS (Calgary, AB)

2011 CIPS Fellows

Congratulations to the following 2011 CIPS Fellows!

C.C. Gotlieb Award:
Ken Chapman, FCIPS, I.S.P., ITCP (Calgary, AB)

CIPS Volunteer of Year Award:
Patricia Kaiser (Calgary, AB)

Marilyn Harris Professionalism Award:
Patricia Glenn, Hon. FCIPS, I.S.P., ITCP (Calgary, AB)

Gary Hadford Professional Achievement Award:
Ken Takagaki (Vancouver, BC)

Marilyn Harris, Hon. FCIPS (Victoria)

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Attend a CIPS Event in February and you could win a Microsoft Hardware Prize Pack!

Thank You to Microsoft for Sponsoring this Prize Giveaway

Attends a CIPS Event in February
and you could Win a Microsoft Hardware Prize Pack!

Includes:
Microsoft Arc Touch Mouse
Arc Keyboard and
LifeCam Studio Webcam
ERP $240

The more CIPS events you attend, the more chances to win!

Visit www.cips.ca/events and check back for new events as they're added.

*Prize Draw Details: Draw will be based on the event attendee lists provided by CIPS Provinces and Sections to CIPS National. Only current CIPS Members as of February 29th 2012 are eligible to win the prize pack. If you attend a CIPS event as a non-member, but join CIPS by February 29th 2012, you will still be eligible to win the prize pack.

CIPS NL Enjoys Great Luncheon on Computer Forensics and Tech Crime
The Computer Forensics and Tech Crime luncheon was a huge success with over 80 people in attendance. This event was the largest lunch event that CIPS NL has held recently and is a continuation of very successful lunch events over the past 18 months.

Sgt. Jacques Boucher of the RCMP's technological crime unit took us through a detailed view of what is to be involved in Computer Forensics and Corporate Compliance. Additional information about presentation and speaker bio below. The slide deck is also attached for anyone interested.

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ICT Jobless Rate in 2011 Q3 the Lowest In Over Three Years

via ICTC

2011 Q3 MONITOR (JULY-SEPTEMBER)
The Information and Communications Technology Council (ICTC) is Canada's leading authority in ICT human resource trends and issues. ICTC's Quarterly Monitors provide a snapshot of the Canadian ICT workforce by comparing past and current labour market trends. This monitor uses the latest Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey (LFS) data to highlight key changes and emerging trends in the sector.

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International Case Competition
2011 Winners: University of Calgary

The International Case Competition on Strategic Value of IT Management is a global case competition that brings together top students in business and information technology (IT) to demonstrate and evaluate the Strategic Value of IT Management for an organization.

Student teams are provided with a case study challenge that must be addressed with a combination of solid business
reasoning and in-depth knowledge of the IT infrastructure. The teams must research the issue and prepare a formal presentation of their recommendations on how to adapt and align technology to better support the customer's business environment. Each team is comprised of three graduate students with at least one student pursuing a degree in information technology (IT) or information systems (IS).

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The following programs are CIPS Accredited at the University of Calgary:

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**Will you be the Student who makes a Difference at Imagine Cup?**

via Microsoft

![Imagine Cup 2012](image)

This year, Microsoft Canada is hosting a Canadian Imagine Cup championship! Imagine Cup is a worldwide competition where students solve real world problems with technology. Your idea for an technical solution to help a charity, education, poverty, or hunger could even take you to Sydney Australia for the worldwide finals! Register as an individual or as a team to apply your skills, think creatively and to showcase your solution on the international stage. For updates and more information check out the GoDevMental blog and sign up for the GoDevMental newsletter.

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Back to the basics with Microsoft software licensing options

via microsoft

My colleagues and I get asked a lot about licensing. Frankly, Microsoft doesn't have a great reputation for keeping it simple. And to be totally transparent - I, like many of my colleagues, would usually rather stick a fork in my eye that talk about it because it can get complicated. And confusing. And just...ugh.

So you can imagine my joy when I was asked to write a newsletter editorial about simplifying licensing. Exactly.

Then I had a very enlightening conversation with Terry Choquette, Licensing Marketing Manager at Microsoft and she pointed me to a few resources that got back to the basics and laid it all out very simply. I like simple. And I decided that this simple information was as blog worthy as it was newsletter worthy. While details about software licensing is not everybody's favourite reading material, stick with me on this.

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CareerMash: Changing Teens' Perceptions of IT Careers

via CareerMash

As a CIPS member, you know there are plenty of misperceptions about tech careers, especially among young people. If you're a leader in the field, you might also know that Canada's tech employers are suffering a dearth of qualified talent. CIPS is working with CareerMash to transform youth perceptions of tech careers, and ultimately help Canadian employers thrive in the global digital economy. Through rich web content at CareerMash.ca, in-school programming, and outreach to the school system, government and industry, CareerMash is telling Canadian teenagers a new story about tech careers.

Subscribe to the CareerMash newsletter to keep abreast of the latest in technology careers and education pathways for tech-sawy youth. While you're at it, why not spread the word to any teenagers, teachers, guidance counselors, parents, and employers in your circle?

World CIO Forum: The vice-chair's 8 takeaways

via itWorldCanada

By: Stephen Ibaraki On: 23 Jan 2012 For: CIO Canada

The Canadian who worked on the advisory board with the International Federation for Information Processing shares the major themes that emerged with discussions among 500 attendees

CIOs from more than 50 countries collaborated and created a manifesto about their role as part of the first World CIO Forum last November, an event filled with notable insights could shape and guide decisions for their peers in 2012.
Come to Calgary in October for an IT Education & Research Conference

Come to Calgary on October 11-13, 2012 for SIGITE 2012

The 13th Annual Conference on Information Technology Education will be hosted by Mount Royal University and be held at the Hotel Arts in the city of Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The conference is sponsored by the ACM Special Interest Group on Information Technology Education (SIGITE). The conference provides a forum for sharing and developing ideas relating to Information Technology research, education, applications, IT-industry-academia relationships and our roles as professionals, educators, and advocates for the effective use of Information Technology.

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5th, IFIP World IT Forum 2012

via IFIP

On behalf of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP) and the Department of Information Technology, Government of India, I invite your participation in the forthcoming World IT Forum (WITFOR 2012) to be held at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi, India on 16th -18th April 2012.

WITFOR is the world’s premier conference that brings together multiple stakeholders involved in the application of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) for development. It combines the imperatives of sustainable progress with breakthroughs in user-friendly and low-cost, ‘inclusive’ technologies.

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Register now for WCC2012 and benefit from the Early Bird Fee!

via IFIP

Registration for WCC 2012 is now open! You can register for the early fee until 1 April 2012. Discounted hotel rooms with special WCC2012 rates can also be booked through our website. On our website www.wcc-2012.org you can find the programme outline with Special Sessions.

Please spread the word and inform your own network of this exciting congress!
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More News and Events

- CIPS NL Luncheon: "Mobile From A to Z"
- CIPS NL - THIRSTY THURSDAYS February 2, 2012
- Edmonton February Dinner - "Managing with Limited Resources"
- SANS 2012 Canadian Training Series - CIPS Discount!
- Winners of the "What Does I.T. Professionalism Mean to You?" Prize Draw announced
- Women in Technology Event - Volunteers Needed!!
- Calgary February Luncheon - "Why Business Intelligence Just Became Complicated"

Podcast Interviews
by Stephen Ibaraki FCIPS, I.S.P., ITCP

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Soumitra Sengupta, Awards for Professionalism: Top of the Mark - Volunteer Award Recipient

Vivek Thangaswamy, Awards for Professionalism: Professional Excellence and Innovation Award Recipient

Brian Cameron, Awards for Professionalism: Career Achievement Award Recipient, Professor and Executive Director, Center for Enterprise Architecture, Founder FEAPO

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