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CIPS National Referendum: Sep 30 - Oct 21, 2011

On September 30, 2011 CIPS members will receive an email outlining how to vote in the National referendum online. Members will be asked to vote on the following motion:

"Be it approved that the CIPS National Constitution and Bylaws dated May 23, 2011 as distributed to members on the CIPS National Website be adopted by the Society."

Voting will close on October 21, 2011. Results of the referendum will be announced at the CIPS National AGM, which will be held during the ICE conference (November 1-3, 2011).

Members who do not wish to vote online can request a paper ballot by contacting info@cips.ca. Members without a valid email address will automatically be sent a paper ballot.

Last Call for Nominations:
CIPS Awards of Achievement

The CIPS National Awards of Achievement is an opportunity for CIPS to show its sincere gratitude to those deserving individuals whose accomplishments warrant acknowledgement and praise. It is through these accomplishments that the IT industry continues to flourish successfully at a rapid pace.

Awards of Achievement Nomination Form

Nominations for the 2011 CIPS Achievement Awards are
CIPS Annual General Meeting

The 53rd Annual General Meeting of CIPS members will be held at the Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton, Alberta on Wednesday November 2nd, 2011 at 7:30 am local mountain time in Salon 2 at the Shaw Convention Centre for the purposes of:

1. Receiving and considering the report of the CCITP Chair
2. Receiving and considering the report of the Director of Finance
3. Appointing auditors
4. Receiving the results of the referendum on the proposed Constitution and By-Law changes
5. Transacting any further business which properly comes before the meeting.

We hope that you will attend this meeting. Fifty regular members in good standing is required for a quorum. If you are not able to attend in person, but would like to participate, a conference call bridge number will be provided on the AGM event webpage 3 business days prior to the start of the AGM.

Please note AGM times in your time zone: Pacific 6:30 am, Mountain 7:30 am, Central 8:30 am, Eastern 9:30 am, Atlantic 10:30 am, NFLD 11:00 am

Computer Science Accreditation Council (CSAC) moves to an outcome based accreditation approach

The CIPS Computer Science Accreditation Council (CSAC) undergraduate program accreditation policies and procedures historically have been intended for programs that prepare graduates for entry into a profession appropriate to the program’s discipline. In specifying its criteria for achieving accreditation in a computing discipline, the Council aims to establish a relationship between a) defining minimum standards or objectives, b) focusing on achievement of graduate attributes instead of being overly prescriptive, and c) encompassing flexibility within which students can set individual goals and tailor their programs. To more closely align with these objectives, CSAC has now fully moved to an outcome based accreditation approach.
Upload your Resume to the New CIPS Job Board

Looking for a Job?
- View over 1,000 current jobs listings
- Upload your resume to the CIPS Resume Bank and have recruiters find you!

Looking to Hire an IT Professional?
- CIPS Members can post Jobs for FREE!
- Non-Members can post jobs at a 20% discount until November 1st 2011 using the Promo Code "CIPS20OFF2011"

Check out the new CIPS Job Board: http://jobs.cips.ca

Centennial College becomes first college in Canada to receive joint CIPS and CCTT Accreditation

CIPS and the Canadian Council of Technicians and Technologists (CCTT) are pleased to announce the first successful joint accreditation of a number of computing programs at Centennial College in Toronto.

The accreditation followed the signing of a Letter of Intent earlier this year in which both organizations agreed to partner in the following areas:

- Joint accreditation of computing and Information Technology (IT) type programs at educational institutions;
- The ever-greening of the accreditation criteria;
- Exchange of information on accreditation rules and practices; and
- Promotion of joint accreditation to educational institutions and the public-at-large.

"The joint accreditation enables the separate organizations to present a unified and consistent approach to stakeholders, by providing a collaborative accreditation platform for computing and information technology programs", said Isidore Leblond, Executive Director, CCTT.

New ITCP Application Route:
IP3P Mutual Acceptance Route
The CIPS Information Technology Certified Professional (ITCP) has been accredited by the International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) under the IP3P standard. The IP3 has endorsed the Principles of Mutual Acceptance for IP3P accredited societies. The IP3P Mutual Acceptance establishes a framework for comparison of different professional certification programs that lead to a common understanding between different countries and will facilitate portability of professional membership.

CIPS and the Australian Computer Society (ACS - http://www.acs.org.au/), which are both IP3P accredited, will recognize each others' professional certifications. For a full list of IP3P accredited societies see: http://www.ipthree.org/about-ip3/accredited-societies.

Information on the Mutual Acceptance Route is available at:
http://www.cips.ca/ITCPMutualAcceptanceRoute

For more information on the ITCP or the Mutual Acceptance Route contact Gina van Dalen at gina@cips.ca or 905 602 1370 ext.2329

**ABEEK and KIISE visits CIPS National Office to explore the ITCP**

A delegation from the Accreditation Board for Engineering Accreditation of Korea (ABEEK), the signatory to the Seoul Accord, and the Korean Institute of Information Scientists and Engineers (KIISE), the professional society in Korea for computing professionals, visited the CIPS headquarters on August 8 to explore the CIPS professional standards program.

ABEEK and KIISE have formed an alliance to explore the creation of a professional certification program, and are in the process of joining IP3 (www.ipthree.org) with an intent to eventually seek IP3 accreditation. As one of the first organization to receive IP3 accreditation, the CIPS ITCP standard has become a global benchmark that not only will be used by ABEEK/KIISE to shape its certification program, but now is also used by the New Zealand Computer Society (http://www.itcp.org.nz/about).

Dr. Sung Jo Kim (Vice President of ABEEK) and Dr. Dong Yoon Kim, representing KIISE, spent the day with Gina van Dalen, CIPS Manager Professional Standards, exploring the CIPS certification program and its evolution, the IP3 Accreditation and possible areas for collaboration.

**The Federation of Enterprise Architecture Professional Organizations is Official (CIPS a founding member)**

via FEAPo

A trailblazing organization of enterprise architecture professional associations is now official. The Federation of Enterprise Architecture Professional Organizations (FEAPo) Operating Charter was ratified by 15 founding voting members at a meeting on June 9 2011 at the Computer Sciences Corporation Executive Briefing Center in Falls Church, Va.
FEAPO, which was launched in January 2011, is an association of professional organizations whose members have an active interest in the practice and professionalism of Enterprise Architecture. The purpose of FEAPO is to provide a forum to discuss cross organizational activities to standardize, professionalize, and otherwise advance the discipline of Enterprise Architecture.

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**New Chair appointed to IP3**

Release Date: 28 September 2011    Contact: Moira de Roche    Email: editor@ipthree.org

The board of IP3 is pleased to announce that Brenda Aynsley, ACS Fellow and Honorary Life Member of the Australian Computer Society (ACS), has been appointed as the new Chair. She was unanimously elected to this position at the IP3 AGM (held as a virtual meeting) on Thursday 22 September 2011. Brenda succeeds Roger Johnson, a Past President of the British Computer Society, who took over as Chair from Greg Lane earlier this year, for an interim period.

"We are delighted to have a person with Brenda's knowledge of the ICT industry, coupled with great passion for professionalism in ICT, to assume this role at an important juncture in our history" Roger Johnson commented. "It is fitting that we have a Chair who represents ACS, since they are the first member society to have been accredited by IP3. On behalf of the IP3 Board, I would like to thank ACS for their generous offer of support to the essential work of IP3 in defining international standards and creating a global infrastructure that supports the professional development of ICT practitioners", he added.

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**Canadian Innovation Exchange (CIX)**

Dec 1, 2011, MaRS Discovery District, Toronto - www.canadianinnovationexchange.com

Use your exclusive CIPS Registration Rate to attend CIX and connect with the leading Canadian and international investors, entrepreneurs and forward-thinking companies shaping the marketplace today. This one-day event offers delegates insightful sessions, inspirational keynotes, and an expanded roster of exclusive opportunities to meet face-to-face with potential partners.

CIX also features a showcase of the CIX Top 20 - areal-time look at the newest developments in the Canadian innovation space and unprecedented access to Canada's sharpest people and technology-driven ideas.

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Are you one of Canada's Hottest Innovative Companies? Click here to learn more about the CIX Top 20 and submit your company's profile today!

**Privacy and Information Security Congress**
Date: November 28 & 29, 2011  
Location: The Westin Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

On-Line registration is now open.  Click HERE to access your earlybird delegate rate!

CIPS members receive 10% , use SaveTen code when registering online

Please...Not Another Desktop Deployment!

Hi, I'm Ruth Morton, Technical Advisor at Microsoft Canada.

I recently asked folks on Linkedin what desktop operating systems their companies were using and was surprised to find out that many organizations were still standardizing on Windows XP SP3. But then again, I shouldn't have been so surprised - I've been a part of many desktop deployment projects and it's not for the faint of heart. There's a large upfront investment of time, money and resources and it's a project that needs to be managed well. And let's face it - IT does not have the greatest reputation for delivering complex projects well.

Act now to leverage the power of diversity into your organization!

via ICTC

In today's dynamic global market, workforce diversity is the new mainstream. Invest now in diversity and inclusion; it's your competitive edge to stronger business growth and employee performance.

Bringing together leading organizations to network around workforce diversity and inclusion, ICTC's national Tech Talent Summit focuses on best practices to attract and retain the brightest global talent, women and aboriginals into Canada's ICT labour market.

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41 Global Thought Leaders Provide Their Views On Globalization's Next Phase

via NO FEAR

NEW YORK, MOSCOW, LONDON, BEIJING, DELHI, JOROINEN: 41 global thought leaders are letting us know their personal views on the next phase of globalization, the increasingly hot talent wars and growth. Executives, business school professors and politicians have given their time to this non-profit project with a simple goal: to generate and accelerate discussion about economic growth and new leadership needed to get the best out of a global pool of top talent. Video interviews from around the world were recorded over the last few weeks. This is as current as it gets.

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Interviews, Blogs & Podcasts
by Stephen Ibaraki FCIPS, I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P

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New:
Roger Johnson: Past Chair IFIP IP3, Distinguished Scientist, Past Dean Birkbeck College/President CEPIS/President BCS/Honorary Secretary IFIP, International Top Leader and Innovator

Dr. Maria Klawe: Pioneering World-Renowned Computer Scientist and Executive Leader, shares her early years.

Featured:
Graham Jones Chair, Ashwin Kini Chair-elect, GITCA - on "24 Hours in the Cloud" and the IFIP World CIO Forum 2011


Brian Cameron: Professor and Executive Director, Center for Enterprise Architecture, Penn State, Founder FEAPO - Part 1 of 2 interview series

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