Consumerism, mass extinction and our throw-away society
CIPS via Electronic Recycling Association

We've got kind of a problem here. On the right side of the pendulum, consumerism has reached an all-time high, with products reaching their planned obsolescence within absurdly short timespans and new products being rolled out (and bought) by the millions every day. And, since every action has an equal and opposite reaction, we have to expect consequences.

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Carolyn Nguyen, Microsoft Director Telecom and Internet Governance, provided compelling insights in support of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) action lines and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the United Nations recently. She gave several examples where Microsoft was bridging the digital divide, supporting capacity building through education, implementing youth and diversity engagement.

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A shortage of IT skills in large enterprises is an age-old lament; the Internet of Things (IoT) is giving it a new twist. Not only are large organizations looking for IT talent to help them capitalize on IoT, but they are looking for candidates who have an engineering background that might encompass manufactured products and hardware firmware, according to Daniel Masata, senior VP of Adecco Engineering & Technology, a staffing and services recruitment firm.

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Invitation to serve as a speaker during July UN General Assembly

As Chair Global Industry Council and Vice-Chair of IFIP's International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3), I received this invitation (excerpts quoted below) to speak recently, from the UNITED NATIONS. Thursday was an historical unprecedented UNITED NATIONS event — the first time external non-governmental stakeholder were given this extended ability to inform the United Nations through three panels (speakers are assigned as speakers or respondents) and unique with live streaming and Twitter for questions.

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I have spent the last several weeks between Vancouver and cities in the U.S. and the European Union including: LA, New York, Pennsylvania, Geneva, Brussels, Amsterdam, Paris. I have a lot to share from my experiences and insights. I provided several posts on the ITU WSIS here in IT Manager and will soon share lessons from the CIO CITY Summit where I chaired the session with the winners of the EU CIOs of the year. READ MORE

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