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CIPS Annual General Meeting

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The 51st Annual General Meeting of the members of the Canadian Information Processing Society will be held at the Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton, Alberta on the **3rd day of November, 2009 at 4:30 PM** (Mountain time) for the purpose 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. 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 National website under the [event listing for the AGM](#) 24 hours prior to the start of the AGM.

[Click here for Agenda and Annual Report](#)

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Organized by CIPS Edmonton and supported by a wide range of local, national and international sponsoring companies, ICE: The Tech Conference is in its 27th year. The success of ICE is in its ability to inspire those involved in IT to become better professionals, connect delegates with peers and industry players and educate about the latest technology, business methods, trends and tools. Drawing from a blend of internationally known speakers and local knowledge, ICE offers six motivational keynote presentations, nearly forty high quality break out sessions covering four different knowledge streams, extended length interactive tutorials and countless opportunities to network and share ideas.

[Read more about this event](#)

**CIPS IT Professionalism Week
(Nov 2-6, 2009)**

CIPS IT Professionalism Week (Nov. 2 - 6, 2009), is now in its seventh year and was formerly known as Information Systems Professional week.

The aim of the week is to increase awareness about the importance of IT professionalism, what professionalism means within the context of IT, why we should care about IT professionalism and how to demonstrate professionalism. Events are taking place across the country and can be found at www.cips.ca/events. Check this page frequently as events will continue to be posted, with some being held in the later weeks of November.

CIPS is also using the week as an opportunity to celebrate CIPS and its professional products such as the I.S.P. and ITCP designations (<http://www.cips.ca/certification>).



Blaine Bey (left), President of CIPS BC, getting his ITCP Certification from Dave Nikolejsin, the Chief Information Officer of the BC Government (centre), and Michael Gergel, President of CIPS Victoria (right).

Public Sector CIO Forum

Transforming Service Delivery
January 21 - 22, 2010
Toronto, Ontario
St. Andrew's Club and Conference Centre

[Click Here for Event Brochure!](#)

SPECIAL DISCOUNT FOR CIPS MEMBERS: Save 20% off the registration price!

Register by November 20th to take advantage of the early bird discount as well.

This two day forum, driven by case-studies, critical regulatory updates, and insightful keynote addresses will enable leaders and experts in the IT community to meet, exchange ideas and network with peers on common topics of concern, including:

- Improving the use of web 2.0 and social media
- Cloud computing in the public sector - a roadmap
- The green shift and its impact on IT - what is the role of the CIO
- Enhancing IT governance practices in a distributed organization
- Privacy in an era of increasing collaboration and information sharing
- Creating a secure environment for information exchange
- Integrating recordkeeping functions to the business processes they serve

Full conference agenda available at <http://www.insightinfo.com/ciocanada>

Innovation Week '09 (IW09)



CIX is the Canadian Innovation Exchange, Canada's most important gathering of the key players in the innovation economy.

CIX provides a showcase for the country's most compelling new technology inventions, and a platform for partnerships and transactional relationships with counterparties from Canada, the U.S. and elsewhere. CIX plays the role of providing critical insight through its sessions, and great facilitated and informal networking events designed to enable investors to discover each other as well as Canada's next great companies.

CIX culminates in the presentation of Canada's top 20 Innovative Companies and participants in CIX vote live to choose the CIX 09 "Canadian Innovation Leader". December 2, 2009, The Design Exchange, Toronto

As a **member of CIPS, you're eligible to receive 20% off** the early bird registration fee for a pass to the CIX. Register NOW to save over \$200 off of the regular event rates.

More info and how to register:

<http://www.cips.ca/node/1580> and <http://www.canadianinnovationexchange.com/>



nextMEDIA Toronto is Canada's leading digital media production and development marketplace offering networking opportunities, galas, executive briefings, competitions and social events for executives working within the digital media space.

- Get the critical new business partnerships you need for national and international success.
- See new media's next best at the Canadian New Media Awards.
- Meet an international line-up of Online Broadcasters, Advertisers, Games Gurus (and Game Changers), Social Media Experts and more.

The Canadian New Media Awards (CNMAs) hosts a spectacular pre-awards reception, followed by the prestigious awards gala honouring the crème de la crème of Canadian new media talent. Join us in Toronto at the Design Exchange on November 30 - December 1, 2009.

As a **member of CIPS, you're eligible to receive 20% off** the early bird registration fee for a pass to nextMEDIA and the CNMA's. Register NOW to save over \$200 off of the regular event rates.

More info and how to register:

<http://www.cips.ca/node/1580> and <http://www.nextmediaevents.com/toronto>

Vancouver International Security Conference



To register [click here](#). To find out more information on this conference [click here](#).

CIPS members get the government rate!!

This year's security forum will provide a focused venue where issues of leadership and management specific to public safety and security will be discussed. Considering that BC will be hosting the 2010 Winter Olympics, there is heightened concern surrounding how public safety officials and practitioners can ensure the highest standard of security during this important global event. Themes will include Information Sharing and Best Practices, Border Security, Disaster Planning, Critical Infrastructure Protection, Leadership in Public Safety, and Interorganizational Communication.

Target Audience:

- Security and Public Safety Executives
- Law Enforcement Officers
- Senior Policy Makers, Practitioners and First Responders
- Chief Information Officers
- Chief Information Security Officers/Chief Privacy Officers
- Technology Officials
- Academics

<https://www.rebootconference.com/security2009/>

ICTC - Career Focus Program

ICTC has been approved to offer the highly successful Career Focus Program until March 15, 2012.

Last year ICTC's Career Focus has placed 56 participants in 26 companies across 7 provinces.

The Career Focus program allows a host company to provide employment to the participant for a minimum period of four months, making the last possible date for a participant to begin December 1st, 2011.

Information and Communications Technology Council (ICTC) helps ICT employers to hire graduates to fill their ICT employment needs. ICTC, with funds from the Government of Canada, is able to offer eligible companies a subsidy of up to \$10,000 over a minimum of four months and a maximum of 12 months.

If you are interested in the Career Focus Program please visit [here](#) for more information, criteria and applications forms.

National Survey on Late Career/Post-retirement Paid Employment in the Non-Profit Sector

The Human Resources Council for the Voluntary & Non-profit Sector is conducting a confidential survey which may be of interest to individuals aged 45+ who are planning to retire or make other work changes, or who are already retired. The HR Council works with educators, labour and government to identify and address HR issues and is funded by the Government of Canada's Sector Council Program. For more information on the HR Council, see: <http://www.hrcouncil.ca/home.cfm>

The HR Council will use the study results to develop information materials to better inform employers and individuals about paid employment opportunities in the Canadian non-profit sector. Completing the survey will be informative to individuals, and also aid the Canadian non-profit sector and its 69,000 charitable and community organizations.

A direct web-link is provided at the end of the survey which takes those who have completed the survey to a web page where they can request additional information regarding employment in the non-profit sector and/or request a copy of the final study results.

The survey is available in both English and French and should take about 10 minutes to complete. If you wish to complete the survey, direct web-links are provided below:

English: <https://www.surveycentral.ca/npvs/survey.htm>

French: <https://www.surveycentral.ca/npvs/sondage.htm>

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

Hear the thoughts and commentary from international experts and community leaders:

[Lynn Langit: Renowned Developer, Visionary Executive, Best-selling Author, Top International Solutions Architect, Microsoft Redmond](#)

A self-described language geek, Lynn is fascinated by languages and semantics. She understands that life rarely travels in a straight line, and her own career reflects this winding path. Lynn moved from a degree in linguistics to become a business executive, and then launched her own software development, training and consulting company. She's done production work with all versions of .NET, BizTalk, K2.Net, SharePoint, SQL Server, Analysis Services, InfoPath, MOM, and Active Directory, and holds an array of certifications, including MCT, MCSD, MCITP, MCSE, MCDBA and MSF. Lynn is also the author of Foundations of SQL Server 2005 Business Intelligence from Apress. She gets her biggest on-the-job buzz from developing architecture - translating business needs into technical solutions that provide real value and opportunities.

[Jeff Anders, International Innovation Leader and Strategist, co-founder and CEO of The Mark: Shares his ideas on Job Lessons, the Recession, Innovation, Business, Technology](#)

Jeff Anders is the co-founder and CEO of The Mark. He has a decade of experience innovating in companies and international organizations. He worked for five years at Mercer Oliver Wyman as a strategy consultant to executives of Fortune 1000 companies. Later, as an independent consultant, he was retained by Hewlett Packard in India to help launch a team of local PhDs to perform marketing analytics for Western clients. Subsequently, he worked with a software provider in Beijing to raise capital and plan its international expansion. His first international engagement was with an NGO in Kosovo doing economic development.

[Joanne Wong: International Technology Leader, Networking Academy Manager for Canada](#)

Joanne Wong is the Networking Academy Manager for Canada. The Cisco Networking Academy is a comprehensive e-learning program that enables students to develop valuable information and communication technology skills for increased access to opportunities in the global economy. Joanne collaborates with leaders in education, government, and business to help them understand the importance of programs like the Cisco Networking Academy in helping Canada to sustain economic competitiveness and innovation. In addition, Joanne supports secondary, post-secondary, and nonprofit organizations to ensure successful implementation of the Cisco Networking Academy.

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