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CIPS Celebrates I.T. Professionalism Week 2012!
(Mon Oct 29th - Fri Nov 2nd)

I.T. Professionalism Week is a yearly celebration held by CIPS across Canada. CIPS hopes to **increase awareness about the importance of professionalism in the I.T. industry today.** This week is also a time to celebrate CIPS and our professionalism resources.

I.T. Professionalism Week is being held this year from **Monday October 29th to Friday November 2nd 2012**. All I.T. professionals are encouraged to participate in the special activities and events occurring across the country.

Help us to raise I.T. standards and join us in celebrations during this time! Contact your local CIPS **Province or Section** for more details or visit the CIPS **"Events"** page.

www.cips.ca/ITProfessionalismWeek2012

IT Professionalism Week 2012 Google Hangout!
(Tues Oct 30th @ 12pm EDT)

In celebration of "**IT Professionalism Week 2012**" (Oct 29th to Nov 2nd) CIPS will be hosting a **"Google Hangout" Webina**r.

Tuesday October 30th 2012 at 12pm EDT
Live feed at www.cips.ca/live

**Brenda Byers I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P,
Chair, CIPS National Board
Director, Technical Systems PotashCorp**

Topic: "The Global IT Profession"

**Gina van Dalen, CAE,
Professional Standards Manager,
CIPS National**

Topic: "Defining the IT Profession"

www.cips.ca/IT-Professionalism-Week-2012-Google-Hangout

"Why I.T. Professionalism is Important to You" Prize Giveaway!

Thank You to **Microsoft** for Sponsoring this Prize Giveaway

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Email us a Photo of yourself and submit a short blurb about **"Why I.T. Professionalism is Important to You"** to Enter the Draw

Email to contest@cips.ca

Click Here for Prize Draw Details

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.

Member Ring

For I.S.P. and ITCP holders:

www.cips.ca/CIPSring

Awards of Achievement Nomination Form
Due Wednesday November 14, 2012

www.cips.ca/awards

Call for Nominations: CIPS Fellows

CIPS Fellows

The Fellow is the highest class of membership offered by CIPS and can only be obtained with approval from the CIPS National Board of Directors.

Fellow Members have agreed to uphold the highest standards of ethics and professional conduct. They will also help to promote CIPS and the association's initiatives within their sphere of influence. Fellow Members use the designation, FCIPS, after their name. **Click here for a List of CIPS Fellows**

CIPS Fellow 2012 nominations Form
Due November 10, 2012

www.cips.ca/fellows

CIPS Volunteer of the Month: Jeff Knechtel, I.S.P., ITCP

October 2012 CIPS Volunteer of the Month:

Jeff Knechtel, I.S.P., ITCP

Past President, CIPS Toronto

Director, CIPS Ontario

What value has your involvement with CIPS provided?

I've recieved my I.S.P. and ITCP though CIPS, and I wouldn't have an MBA if it weren't for CIPS. However, it's through volunteering that I've received the most value.

There's certainly value if you meet someone at an event, but a casual meeting isn't a substitute for the trust that can be built when you work alongside other people in a volunteer capacity. Through volunteer work, you not only get to know people, but you get to build a level of trust with them that can truly enrich your life.

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Volunteer Today!
www.cips.ca/volunteer

Take your ICT Career to the Next Level: CIPS offering access to a world-class online education program

CIPS, in partnership with our sister organization the Australian Computer Society (ACS), is providing a great opportunity for a selected group of CIPS members to gain access to a world-class online education program. The ACS Computer Professional Education Program (CPEP) is an online postgraduate level ICT program. The curriculum is structured around the Skills Framework for the Information Age, the world's most popular ICT skills framework used by thousands of organizations and adopted as the skills framework by the Australian, New Zealand, and United Kingdom governments.

This IP3 (www.ipthree.org) accredited program is a pathway to becoming an internationally recognized IT professional. Working with peers from across the globe, you will gain experience in developing risk management plans for projects, study compliance and regulatory requirements governing IT, gain knowledge of various technical specialisations and their application in the operational environment. Through this program you will also develop the ability to provide advice on project scoping and options for operational improvement. The program prepares you to effectively work at a SFIA Level 5 autonomy, responsibility and influence (see job categories mapped to SFIA).

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Call for Interest - CIPS Education Equivalency Assessors

CIPS recently submitted a proposal to Citizenship and Immigration Canada's (CIC) Foreign Credential Recognition Office (FCRO) to attain the rights to a service agreement under the Federal Skilled Worker Class (FSWC) whereby persons seeking to apply for immigration into Canada would be required to submit an assessment of their foreign educational credentials' authenticity and equivalency to a Canadian educational credential. Although CIPS has not yet been identified as a preferred provider of these educational credential assessments, it is preparing to be ready by December 31st should our bid be successful.

CIPS already assesses foreign credentials as part of its Certification Program and engages volunteers for this activity. The anticipated volumes of applicants under the FSWC program could be significantly high and it will be critical to perform these assessments relatively quickly. CIPS is therefore looking for a number of assessors for the foreign credential assessment group.

The general purpose of the Academic Assessor is to:

- Review and assess academic details based on educational transcripts;
- Prepare detailed findings on the assessment;

- Report the findings to the Registrar's Office.

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...If you have further questions or would like to add your name to the list of interested candidates please submit your expression of interest and CV to Gina van Dalen, Manager Professional Standards at gina@cips.ca by **November 9, 2012.**

CIPS Alberta 2012 ICE Conference: Edmonton

Date: Mon, 11/05/2012 - Wed, 11/07/2012   **Event Location:** Edmonton

Organized by CIPS Alberta and supported by a wide range of local, national and international sponsoring companies, ICE: The Tech Conference is in its 30th 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 motivational keynote presentations, high quality breakout sessions covering four different knowledge streams, extended length interactive tutorials and countless opportunities to network and share ideas. The upshot? The IT community in Alberta has access to the ingredients for innovation right in its own backyard.

To access the most up-to-date schedule with complete session information, visit **www.iceconference.com**

Register Now!

The Alberta Provincial Society of CIPS and Leaders Beyond™ Partner to Advance Leadership-Based Learning for IT Professionals

 CALGARY - Oct. 22, 2012 - In support of its mission to facilitate professional executive development for its members and the IT community, CIPS Alberta & NWT has entered into a strategic partnership with Leaders Beyond (formerly The CIO Summit) to provide its suite of programs to members at preferred rates. According to Doug Brown, President of CIPS Alberta, "Our organization has a long history of support for the IT Executive Leader Program and many of our members have credited the learning experience with significantly advancing their careers and skills. We are now pleased to additionally recommend the new Emerging IT Leader Program to our membership and to the Alberta IT community."

Barry Clavir, Managing Partner of Leaders Beyond, stated, "We are proud to have the confidence of the CIPS Alberta membership and look forward to adding our Emerging IT Leader Program to the list of recommended membership offerings which are eligible for Information System Professional of Canada (I.S.P.) and Information Technology Certified Professional (ITCP) re-certification credits. This means that CIPS members can now choose the right program for the appropriate stage of theirs or their staff's career development while maintaining their professional certification."

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CIPS Blog Posts

"Why I'm a member of CIPS" CIPS NL, Ron Richard, I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P (Oct 26, 2012):
"It's simple really. I felt compelled. Inherently connected to a significant body-with pervasive reach and potential, that shares common principles and values, is of service to others, and believes in the need for a globally recognized IT profession..."
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"IQM (inherent quality management)" CIPS NL, Ron Richard, I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P (Oct 10, 2012)
"I'm wondering which one of these 20 draft IQM principles may be most important or matter the most.1. Make everyone part of the solution, 2. Ensure a common foundation is adopted, maintained and lived, 3. Build quality in..."
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"CIPS Chair Update" CIPS National, Brenda Byers, I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P (Oct 9, 2012)
"If you don't see and an event in your area, ORGANIZE ONE! Even if it is just beer and nachos, with a whole lot of networking, just get on it and have some fun..."
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"CIPS Chair Update" CIPS National, Brenda Byers, I.S.P., ITCP/IP3P (Oct 1, 2012)
"Friday started with IP3 planning meetings, which contained a construction team effort to update the IP3 paper on developing an ICT profession in a country or region."
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CIPS members, have a blog post that you'd like to share?
Email your blog post to blog@cips.ca!

http://www.cips.ca/blog

2012 Gaylen Duncan Scholarship Winner: Devin Denis

My name is Devin Denis. I'm entering my fourth year of Computer Science at Carleton University. Last summer I worked at MC Countermeasures Inc. as part of Carleton's Co-op program, which was a great experience. Within computer science, I'm particularly interested in design patterns, human computer interaction, and localization. I hope to work in a field related to one of these topics after I graduate. Winning the Gaylen Duncan award validates the work I put into my studies, and the monetary aid is extremely helpful. With the aid of co-op and scholarships such as the Gaylen Duncan award, I expect to graduate debt-free. Thank you so much.

About the Gaylen Duncan Scholarship
Established 1992, each year the CIPS Ottawa Section provides student scholarships to outstanding students in a full-time Computer Science/Software Engineering Program. The candidates must be enrolled in programs that are accredited by CIPS National. Those programs are found at both the University of Ottawa and at Carleton University. Each student receives a scholarship in the amount of $1500 from CIPS Ottawa.

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IT, an emerging global profession

via ICL blog - Orginally published on Inside Internal Controls blog publish by First Reference Inc.

October 10, 2012 - By: Ron Richard

Image: suphakit73 / FreeDigitalPhotos.net

In an emerging global IT profession a major contributor in Canada and around the world is CIPS - Canada's Association of Information Technology Professionals.

CIPS is a founding partner of International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3), a standard that provides a global platform to help shape and implement relevant policies to foster professionalism in IT worldwide. CIPS is also known for its I.S.P. and ITCP designations. CIPS is the only professional organization in Canada that offers an Information Technology (IT) designation that is recognized by law in Canada.

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Windows 8: The least spooky thing to come out this October!

via Microsoft TechNet

Think the release of Windows 8 means there's toil and trouble brewing for desktop deployment specialists and IT project managers? Not so! It's really not that spooky and here are 3 reasons why:

1. **There's lots to like about Windows 8 for organizations.** From AppLocker to BitLocker, from Client Hyper-V to Group Policy Management, there are many new and improved features for IT professionals to get excited about. Learn more >>

2. **The tools and methods used to pilot and deploy Windows 7 are the same tools used for Windows 8**. Whether it's MDT, WDS, MAP, ACT, SCCM or USMT - the tools used to plan a move from Windows XP can be used to deploy either Windows 7 or Windows 8.Learn more>>

3. **We've got you covered**. We're working hard to make sure you have the information you need to explore, plan and deploy Windows 8 into your organization. Check out the Springboard site as well as these posts from the Canadian IT Pro Connection blog for information about getting started with Windows 8:

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GTEC 2012 - "Canada's Government Technology Event"

Date: Mon, 11/05/2012 - Thu, 11/08/2012   Event Location: Ottawa Convention Centre

GTEC (Government Technology Exhibition and Conference) brings together leading public and private sector experts to collaborate on serving citizens better through innovation and technology. Our conference, exhibition and Distinction Awards program celebrate the best-of-breed technology and best practice leadership in Canadian and international government. As GTEC marks its 20th anniversary, governments are facing an environment of unprecedented change. The pressure to do more with less continues and the need to collaborate and innovate has never been more important. In response to this increased pressure, GTEC 2012 will be centered on the theme, Collaborating & Innovating - Making a Difference for Canadians. For event details, please visit www.gtec.ca

CIPS members - receive 15% off your standard conference pass Register at www.gtec.ca Use promo Code: CIPSCONF2012

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Metaplexity Associates LLC is pleased to announce upcoming offerings of our 4-day course, Enterprise Architecture Using TOGAF® 9, in several Canada venues. Our courses are fully accredited by The Open Group, and prepare candidates for The Open Group's full enterprise architecture certification. In addition, training focuses upon practical, real-world solutions to critical IT planning, risk management, and operational issues and priorities important to participating organizations. Our current schedule includes:

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Toronto - November 19 - 22
Online - November 26 - 29
Vancouver - November 26 - 29
Winnipeg - December 3 - 6
Ottawa - December 10 - 13
Calgary - January 14 - 17
Regina - January 21 - 24

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Our Metaplexity Course Promo code: CIPSAVE. **CIPS Members receive a discount of 10% off our standard course fee when adding CIPSAVE in their email subject line.**

For course information including pricing and registration detail, please write to info@metaplexity.com, or contact Jane Wagner at +1 763 528-1236.

Featured I.T. Job Postings

Chief Information Officer, Burnaby, British Columbia
Systems Analyst (12-177) 1 Perm and 1 Temp, St. Albert, Alberta
Systems Analyst (12-176), St. Albert, Alberta
Intermediate Web Systems Administrator, Edmonton, Alberta / Athabasca, Alberta
IT Support Technician, Regina, Saskatchewan
Analyst, IT Governance & Compliance, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Technical Service Technician, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
12-177 Senior GIS Developer, Calgary, Alberta
Programmer, Calgary, Alberta
12-175 VB.Net Developer, Calgary, Alberta
12-173 - Senior Network Analyst, Calgary, Alberta
Quality Assurance (QA) Automation Developer, St. Albert, Alberta

12-171 Program Data Analyst, Calgary, Alberta
Network Transition Leads, Toronto, Ontario
12-168 Business Intelligence (BI) Administrator, Calgary, Alberta
12-167 IT Project Manager, Calgary, Alberta
12-166 Business Analyst, Calgary, Alberta
12-169 Business Analyst, Calgary, Alberta
Systems Analyst, St. Albert, Alberta
MANAGER, INFORMATION SYSTEMS, Edmonton, Alberta
Director, IT and Business Solutions, Wasaga Beach, Ontario/ Calgary, Alberta
Lead, Servers and Storage, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan
Senior Enterprise Architect, St. Albert, Alberta
Enterprise Architect, St. Albert, Alberta
Senior Web Developer Lead, Calgary, Alberta
Systems Analyst Operations LMS Coordinator, Edmonton, Alberta
Senior Financial Systems Advisor (Temporary), Sherwood Park, Alberta
IT Project Manager, Regina, Saskatchewan
TL Assistant Manager, Business Technology Services Project Management, Burnaby/New Westminster, British Columbia

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

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New:
Phaneesh Murthy CEO iGATE, Global Founding ICT Industry Top Executive

Marios Damianides: Partner, Ernst & Young, Global Authority in Security and Risk Management

Rob Clyde, CEO Adaptive Computing, Global ICT Industry Pioneer and Top-Ranking Executive

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