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Speaker: Shawn Slack, MBA Director of Information Technology and CIO

Shawn Slack is the Director of Information Technology and Chief Information Officer for the City of Mississauga. Early in his career with the City of Mississauga, he led the vision and plan to provide all City services online. He also oversaw the implementation of the City's first Customer Service Strategy which transformed customer service across all channels including internet, phone and counters as well as the implementation of 311. Currently, Shawn is engaged in many great initiatives and projects guided by a new IT Master Plan endorsed by Council in 2015 which focuses on Fostering Open and Accessible Government, Enabling Decisions through Research & Analytics, Creating a Connected & Engaged Workplace and Improving Services through Innovation & Partnerships.



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Is Blockchain a "world-changing" technology?

via IT World Canada

By Yogi Schulz I.S.P., ITCP



Blockchain is the technology that underpins the **Bitcoin** cryptocurrency. Because Bitcoin is much loved by anarchists, drug dealers and fraudsters, blockchain (by association) is too easily dismissed as some weird technology sideshow. However, Bitcoin or another blockchain implementation can theoretically be used to anonymously [verify any kind of transaction](#).

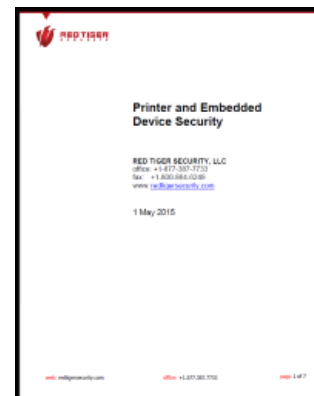
If blockchain technology is adopted more widely, its economic and social impact will be enormous and as [explosively disruptive and world-changing](#) as the worldwide web has been.

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via IT World Canada

Printers are often overlooked in the corporate security policy, but can be the source or initial access point for a network breach. Though, most IT and Security departments do not have a handle on the risks associated with printers and other embedded devices. Read this white paper to learn the known security issues with printers and embedded devices, as well as to gain tips, techniques and recommendations for implementing a security strategy for this class of devices.



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Experts weigh in on Brexit's IT impact

via IT World Canada



Last week's [announcement](#) that the United Kingdom would be leaving the European Union continues to send [shockwaves](#) throughout the world economy, and across [many industries](#) - including IT.

And while the predictions vary, the experts agree on one fact: Good or bad, nothing is certain.

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