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CIPS would like to greatly thank all of our volunteers across Canada for your contribution to CIPS and the IT profession during Canada's celebration of National Volunteer Week (April 21-27, 2013). Our volunteers are the face of the organization and we recognize all the valuable time and energy that they donate to providing CIPS members and other IT practitioners with career development resources and opportunities, which ultimately contribute to the IT profession.

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CIPS Webinar YouTube Video: "Why discuss Ethics in I.T.?"

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Missed the Live CIPS Google Hangout with Donna Lindskog, I.S.P. (ret) on "Why discuss Ethics in I.T.?" - Watch the recording on YouTube!

Presentation Overview:

Having a code of ethics is not enough. Ethics require that we constantly examine our own actions. Donna will review what might be special I.T. ethics issues that we should consider as a group.

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CIPS Manager Professional Standards Assumes AAAC Chair Role

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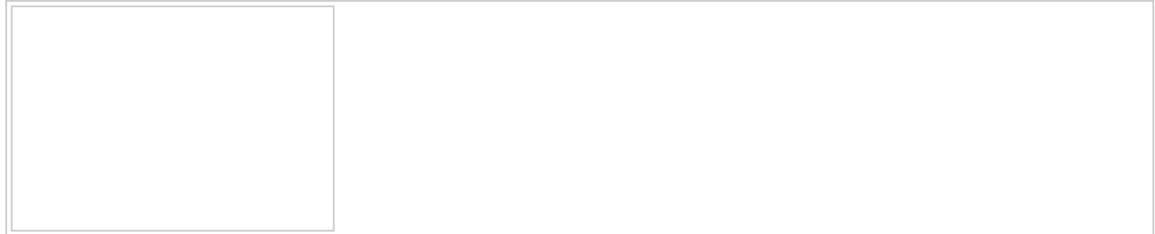
Gina van Dalen, CIPS Manager Professional Standards, assumed the role of Chair of the Association of Accrediting Agencies of Canada (AAAC) at the organization's annual meeting in Ottawa. She takes over the role from Janis Leonard, Manager of Accreditation at the Ontario College of Teachers. Founded in 1994, the AAAC provides a collaborative forum and a collective voice for the community of organizations in Canada that assess the quality of higher education programs.



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CIPS INTERVIEWS: Stephen Forte, CSO, CTO, Founder, Microsoft MVP, Global Entrepreneur and Developer

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This week, Stephen Ibaraki has an exclusive interview with Stephen Forte. Stephen Forte is the Chief Strategy Officer of the venture backed company Telerik, a leading vendor of developer and team productivity tools. He is the co-founder and executive director of AcceleratorHK, Hong Kong's first start-up accelerator. Involved in several start-ups, he was the co-founder of Triton Works, which was acquired by UBM in 2010 and was the Chief Technology Officer and co-founder of Corzen, which was acquired by Wanted Technologies in 2007.

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The 'day' was started with hot cups of java and networking over breakfast. Attendees continued conversations throughout the day at the coffee break and lunch. Winston Douglas, from our Diamond Sponsor Oracle, began his speech with what their clients look for in cloud computing. He followed this with various Oracle solutions. The speech was very informative. Andrew Ginter, from Waterfall Security Systems, demonstrated some of vulnerabilities of our 'safe' firewalls! The content of his presentation will be the basis of a white paper — that will be available soon and put up on the CIPS website.


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CIPS' views on Bill C-475 (Proposed changes to PIPEDA)

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Bill C-475 addresses any incident involving the loss or disclosure of, or unauthorized access to, personal information, where a reasonable person would conclude that there exists a possible risk of harm to an individual as a result of the loss or disclosure or unauthorized access. CIPS supports breach notification to the Privacy Commissioner and that individuals are alerted when the breach is likely to actually affect them. We note that Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) (Alberta) has had mandatory breach notification for several years and it works on a similar model to what is proposed (<http://www.oipc.ab.ca/pages/PIPA/BreachNotification.aspx>)

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Desperately looking for talent

Winnipeg Free Press

There is a problem with unemployment in the information-technology sector in Manitoba — it's too low. In 2011, Manitoba's information and communication technologies (ICT) sector had 2.4 per cent unemployment. That meant there was full employment and good luck to any employer who needed to hire specially skilled workers. The industry is expecting a growth spurt and many of the skills needed are in short supply — mobile technology will be especially in demand during the next few years.

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Survey: Job prospects brightening for recent college graduates

Consumer Affairs

The college class of 2013 may find a better world out there when it comes to job-hunting. A new study finds 53 per cent of U.S. employers plan to hire recent college graduates in 2013 — about the same as in 2012, but significantly more than the 46 per cent in 2011 and 44 per cent in 2010. Industries that generally demand more high-skill workers — primarily information technology — are more likely to recruit recent college graduates. Sixty-five per cent of IT hiring managers and human resources professionals said they plan to hire recent graduates, followed by financial services employers and health care employers. IT and financial services are also the most likely to recruit workers for hard-to-fill jobs prior to graduation.

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