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IP3 – at WCC2008

The IFIP International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3) is a global programme to promote professionalism in IT, define international standards and create a global infrastructure that will encourage and support the development of both practitioners and employer organisations. Several IP3 Task Force members will be presenting at WCC2008, on various aspects of Professionalism and the goals of the programme. See highlights on Page 2, and IP3 speaker schedule on page 3 of this newsletter.

Be sure to attend these sessions if you are interested in ICT professionalism either for yourself, or your society or your employer.

IP3 accredits first Society to award IITP

IP3 announced today that the Australian Computer Society's (ACS) CP has now been accredited against IITP standards. This means that professionals who have attained CP will automatically qualify for IITP status.

The Society's qualification was measured against rigorous requirements, to ensure that the outcomes mapped against the required Body of Knowledge, and that quality standards are consistently applied. A team consisting of assessors from the British Computer Society, Canadian Information Processing Society, IEEE-CS and an independent assessor visited ACS in July.

The accreditation process included meetings with senior management of the Society, as well as stakeholders and those who are already PCP's. In addition to the aforementioned criteria around knowledge and quality, the assessment team also reviewed membership statistics, efforts made by ACS to uphold IT



Professionalism in Australia, as well as engagement with stakeholder bodies such as government and the corporate sector, and enforcement of the code of ethics.

IP3 at World Computer Congress

Highlights

Charles Hughes, IP3 Chair



In his keynote address to the **Information Systems Research, Education and Practice** (TC8) stream on *Tuesday, 9 September at 11h00*, Charles will examine in detail the International Professional Practice Partnership's vision to transform and inform IT Professional practice. He will walk delegates through the rationale for the project, the vision and how this vision is being taken forward, and the key features of IP3 certification. Charles was President of BCS from 2005 to 2006, and is an accomplished speaker, whose passion for the subject will certainly inspire delegates whilst providing a clear understanding of the program and its goals.

IP3 Introduction and Overview – Charles Hughes

The IFIP International Professional Practice Partnership is embarked on the ambitious task of creating an international profession to provide the key leadership in all parts of the global IT industry – both supplier and user sides. Globally society is utterly dependent on the IT industry for maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in the developed world; and the developing world is looking to leverage IT to move rapidly forward. During his Introduction to, and Overview of, IP3, on *Tuesday 9 September at 14h30* at the ICT Professionalism and Competencies conference, Charles will take you through the IP3 journey; how it started, what it has achieved thus far, and what it's ultimate and ongoing goals are

The Emergence of Software Engineering Professionalism



Stephen Seidman, PhD, is the IEEE Computer Society's Vice-President for Educational Activities. He represents the IEEE-CS on the IP3 Task Force. Stephen is a leader in the US computing academic community, having served as faculty member, department head, or dean at several universities. He is currently Dean of the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics at the University of Central Arkansas.

In his presentation **The Role of Professional Societies in the Emergence of Software Engineering Professionalism in the United States and Canada** which he will deliver on *Monday 8 September at 09h45*, Stephen examines how the term "software engineering" was coined forty years ago as a metaphor for the processes involved in designing and constructing large-scale software systems. Since that time, the term has gradually come to refer to a professional engineering discipline. This paper will describe the role played by professional societies in the creation of the professional discipline of software engineering in the United States and Canada.

Task Force Member presentation schedule at ICT Professionalism and Competences

IP3 Task Force members will be delivering presentations on various topics. We hope you will attend our sessions, and also take the opportunity to talk to us at any time during the conference. We'd love to get to know you and understand the issues you are facing around Professionalism in ICT.

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| Monday 7 September 2008 | | | |
| <i>ICT Professional Role</i> | | | |
| 09h45 | Stephen Seidman | IEEE-CS | See item on previous page |
| <i>ICT Professionalism in Various Contexts</i> | | | |
| 11h20 | Colin Thompson | BCS | IT Professionalism Role Today and Tomorrow |
| <i>ICT's Role in Emerging Countries</i> | | | |
| 15h10 | Moira de Roche | CSSA | IT & Professionalism in Developing Countries – Focus on Africa |
| Tuesday 8 September 2008 | | | |
| <i>Information Systems Research, Education and Practice (TC8)</i> | | | |
| 11h00 | Charles Hughes | BCS | The IFIP International Professional Practice Partnership: Transforming and Informing IT Professional Practice |
| <i>IFIP Professional Practice Task Force</i> | | | |
| 14h30 | Charles Hughes | BCS | Introduction |
| 15h00 | | | IP3 Overview |
| 15h30 | Tom Fuller | Deloitte | The Industry Perspective |
| 16h30 | Bob Hart | ACS | Accreditation |
| 17h00 | Roger Johnson | IFIP | Member Societies Role & Engagement |
| 17h30 | All IP3 Speakers | IP3 | Panel Discussion |

