

## News Brief

### **ISACA - NEWS BRIEF - OCTOBER 2009**

#### **50% REDUCTION IN MEMBERSHIP FEES (GOOD NEWS!):**

In response to the request of several members, Jeddah Chapter is pleased to announce the reduction of the local chapter membership dues from US \$70 to to 35. This fee is a portion of the total fees required when renew or register your membership online. All members are advised to pay the membership fees for 2010 to keep their membership status active.

#### **WEBSITE UPDATE:**

ISACA has initiated a project to revamped its website and it will be ready next year.

Further\more, The Jeddah chapter has also started a project to re-vamp its website, The new website will be improved to cater to the wishes of many members . The chapter's website team is currently putting the final touches before the official launch which is expected in Feb 2010.

The new website will include new features such as Member's **Voice** to record complaints and \suggestions.. The Executive Committee replies will also be available for review by the members. There will be also a shared file space for archiving documents among the executive committee members.

#### **MS SERVICE**

The chapter has just launched an SMS service for members to send reminders for the chapter events. All members are requested to keep their profile updated on ISACA Head quarters website and to ensure that mobile phones are recorded.

#### **OUR PRESIDENT BECAME ADVISOR TO THE TECHNICAL BOARD OF KING SAUD UNIVERSITY - KSA:**

The Center of Excellence in Information Assurance (COEIA) at King Saud University (KSU), in Saudi Arabia has invited our president to their Advisory Board.

The center has a vision to be an internationally recognized center of excellence in information assurance and the first source of expertise in the field of Information assurance in middle east region. And with a mission of setting up a group of top quality information assurance researchers and professionals to transfer knowledge and assess and solve information assurance problems.

COEIA will provide free consultancy services to clients in both the Government and the commercial sector and will coordinate with various regulators to develop information security and risk management standards to support major programs such as Saudi e\_Government program.

#### **OTHER EVENTS:**

Our president and the membership Director visited Riyadh chapter in Riyadh and agreed to establish allignace. The alliance will focus on registering Riyadh chapter under the umbrella of the Saudi commission of engineers (SCE), organizing local conferences in KSA and share speakers for the technical sessions.

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#### ***From the of the Newsletter Editor***

By: Mr. Syed Zafar Reza,

Add one more screen on your desk to help you in office one to one conferencing with your peers and to work on two files at the same time like typing email when the related work file is opened.

Very Easy:

**Office Meeting:** Synchronize both screens and turn the monitor on the other side towards your visitor. Now both are sitting opposite to each other and looking at same screen. Now work on your file on your notebook screen and carry on your discussion and updating file yourself face to face. Before the other colleague leaves your office email the agreed file to his email address in front of him. Great!

**Two screens one hard disk.** Minimize all opened files. Now you are on your desktop screen. Right click the y recormouse anywhere on the desktop screen. Select Graphic Options, Select "output to". Select "Extended desktop". Select "notebook + monitor" if monitor is on right hand side otherwise select "monitor + notebook". Drag and drop the file from notebook screen to monitor. Now your mouse arrow with move between notebook and monitor and you can work on either on notebook screen or the other screen. Open email on your note book and word file on other screen. Go through the word file and simultaneously type the email. Great!

**Return back to synchronize screen.** Same process as above. Only selection will be different. You are back to square one. Great!

#### **Attachments to this issue**

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ISACA JEDDAH CHAPTER



MEETINGS & SESSIONS

*The Executive Committee Monthly Meeting is held on the last Tuesdays of every month.*

**TECHNICAL SESSIONS PLANNED FOR 2009 & 2010**

DATE	TOPIC	SPEAKER
Jan 2010	COBIT	Ahmad Faqieh
Feb 2010	Security Framework Realization	
Mar 2010	Disaster Recovery Solutions	

**TECHNICAL SESSIONS CONDUCTED IN 2009 & 2008**

DATE	TOPIC	SPEAKER
Nov 10, 2009	PCI Compliance	Mohammed Jeelan
Oct 13, 2009	ISACA's new IT Risk Management Framework	Ahmad Faqieh
Jul 14, 2009	Risk Management	Syed Zafar Reza
Mar 17, 2009	ISO 27001	Mahmood Jastania
Nov 11, 2008	Digital Crime	Suresh Srinivasan
Jul 8, 2008	RFID (Radio Frequency ID)	Mohammed Shalan

*\* Date and timing of the technical sessions are subject to change based on availability of site and speaker.*



**Project Management - The Key To A Successful Project**

*"A classic problem...you find yourself at the "end" of a project, 90% done, but you will have already spent 100% of the budget. And it's going to take the second 100% of the budget to get that last 10% completed because, the truth is, you' don't really know where you are." - Don Shafer, Author & CTO .*

A successful project achieves its goals within the timeline, budget and resources allocated. But, in order to ensure the optimum level of success, a number of key factors must be considered managed. The first of which is effective project planning.

It is imperative that all your projects be developed with an accurate and full understanding of the current and desired state of your business. A detailed business analysis of the problem or issue to be addressed is required to understand and determine the necessary steps towards your desired outcome. This analysis will determine the project objective, focus and the approach for resolution. Without a clearly defined objective established through this analysis, your project can easily go off course, fall behind schedule, exceed the budget, or ultimately fail.

Another key factor impacting the success of a project is the project plan itself. The project plan should include an overall estimate of the time to complete the project and a detailed evaluation of the resources required. Included in the project plan should be resource responsibilities, accountabilities, deliverables and timelines. Additionally, it should outline related project risks that need to be assessed, monitored, minimized and mitigated.

And, although a unified goal may be established in the minds of the project team, a major key to success is the project manager. An experienced, people-oriented project manager will be able to manage all aspects of the project effectively. The project manager must have a clear understanding of the day-to-day tasks and resources needed to achieve the desired goals and must do an effective job of delegating responsibilities and keeping staff on track. Utilizing the right project management tools can help manage these tasks in an efficient manner while providing accurate methods to quantify and measure the project's success in terms of its business value.

## Articles

## Mac OS X Business & IT Solutions



### Powerful core services. Easily deployed.

Mac OS X Leopard and Mac OS X Leopard Server deliver an array of core software technologies and services designed to better connect your business, take full advantage of the latest hardware, and lay a solid foundation for your organization's IT infrastructure. From email to print and file services, web hosting, and application servers, Mac OS X Server offers high-performance, scalable solutions for your business that are based squarely on open standards.

### Industry-leading email services. No extra charge.

The ideal solution for businesses or companies without an existing mail server, Mac OS X Server allows you to bring email in-house, using your own domain name rather than relying on an ISP to host your email. Organizations with an existing mail server will appreciate how seamlessly Mac OS X Server integrates into the network, ensuring that all outbound email is forwarded or relayed through your company's mail servers.

Designed with performance and scalability in mind, the mail services in Mac OS X Server can handle thousands of simultaneous connections. If you are looking for open-standards email support, then look no further. Mail services in Mac OS X Server support SMTP, POP and IMAP, SSL/TLS encryption, mailing lists, and WebMail. They also offer industrial-strength junk mail filtering and virus detection.



### Connecting your multi-platform workgroups.

Whether you are supporting a distributed sales force, a district of students, or just about any type of group, Mac OS X Server makes it easy for your users to share information and work effectively. Mac OS X Server can be configured so that you can house all your organization's files in one place, giving your team a central location to find the most up-to-date information. Mac, Windows, UNIX, and Linux users can all share files with ease because of support for the major file-sharing protocols, including AFP, SMB, NFS, FTP, and WebDAV. It's easy to share hard drives or individual folders and assign custom access permissions with Mac OS X Server.

### Serve up applications with open source tools.

Mac OS X Server also comes with an array of application services, including Apache Tomcat, known for powering large-scale, mission-critical web applications; Java Virtual Machine (J2SE) Java language compiler and execution environment; the Apache Axis (SOAP) engine for web services; and the WebObjects 5.4 Deployment Java web application server and framework.



### Standard print serving. Part of the package.

Mac OS X Server lets you configure print services so that users on many different platforms—Mac, Windows, UNIX, or Linux—can share printers over the network. Print services in Mac OS X Server rely on the standard Common UNIX Printing System (CUPS) for spooling, queue and job control, security, and error feedback. Your users can share print queues over a wide variety of protocols, from Internet Printing Protocol and Line Printer Remote to Windows file sharing protocol (SMB) and more.



### Apache Web hosting. Powered by Apache.

Mac OS X Server makes it easy to host your own website or Web 2.0 application. Included in Mac OS X Server is Apache, the most widely used HTTP server on the Internet. Apache is preconfigured with default settings, making deployment as simple as starting the Web service. Mac OS X Server offers experienced webmasters support for either Apache 2.2 or Apache 1.3, accessible from with the Server Admin application.

Apache is extremely flexible, so you can add dynamic content, or host stores, auctions, shared calendars, portal systems, and other database-driven services. Support for virtual hosting in Mac OS X Server allows you to host multiple websites on a single server. And, because Mac OS X Server integrates OpenSSL with the Apache web server, it supports strong 128-bit encryption and public key infrastructure authentication using X.509 digital certificates. This high-grade security architecture protects credit card information and other confidential data transmitted during web transactions.



### Deploy the Web 2.0.

Everything you need to develop, deploy, and host reliable Web 2.0 applications is included. Mac OS X Server ships with a full complement of server applications and frameworks including Apache 2, Ruby on Rails, Tomcat 5, and WebObjects 5.4. For hosting enterprise-class applications, Mac OS X Server includes a 64-bit Java VM optimized for the latest generation of Intel multicore processors.

# UPDATES

## RESEARCH UPDATE

### *The Risk IT Framework and The Risk IT Practitioner Guide*

The first two deliverables of the Risk IT: Based on COBIT® initiative will be available in November at [www.isaca.org/bookstore](http://www.isaca.org/bookstore) and [www.isaca.org/deliverables](http://www.isaca.org/deliverables). Risk IT enables enterprises to understand and manage all significant IT risk types, building upon the existing risk-related components within the current ISACA frameworks of COBIT® and Val IT™.

### *New and Upcoming ISACA Releases*

*COBIT® Mapping: Overview of International IT Guidance, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*

*COBIT® Mapping: Mapping ISO 20000 With COBIT® 4.1 Implementing and Continually Improving IT Governance ISACA® Model Curriculum for IS Audit and Control, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (now available)*

*Security, Audit and Control Features Oracle® Database, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*

*SharePoint® Deployment and Governance Using COBIT® 4.1* ■

## Bookstore Update?

Study aids for the 2010 Certified Information Systems Auditor™ (CISA®) and Certified Information Security Manager® (CISM®) exams ([www.isaca.org/cisabooks](http://www.isaca.org/cisabooks), [www.isaca.org/cismbooks](http://www.isaca.org/cismbooks) or [www.isaca.org/nonenglishbooks](http://www.isaca.org/nonenglishbooks)), as well as primary references for use in Certified in the Governance of Enterprise IT® (CGEIT®) exam preparation, are available in the ISACA Bookstore.

### *CISA Examination Study Material*

*CISA Review Manual 2010* (English, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISA Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010* (800 questions) (English, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISA Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010 Supplement* (100 questions) (English, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISA Practice Question Database v10* (900 questions—CD-ROM or download) (English and Spanish editions)

### *CISM Examination Reference Material*

*CISM Review Manual 2010* (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2010 Supplement* (100 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2009* (450 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISM Review Questions, Answers & Explanations Manual 2009 Supplement* (100 questions) (English, Japanese and Spanish editions)

*CISM Practice Question Database v10* (650 questions—CD-ROM or download) (English edition)

### *CGEIT Examination Reference Material*

Please visit [www.isaca.org/cgeitbooks](http://www.isaca.org/cgeitbooks) or [www.isaca.org/cgeitreferences](http://www.isaca.org/cgeitreferences) for details.

Descriptions, availability dates and ordering details are available at [www.isaca.org/bookstore](http://www.isaca.org/bookstore) and in the *ISACA Journal*. Contact the Bookstore at [bookstore@isaca.org](mailto:bookstore@isaca.org) or +1.847.660.5650. ■



## DISTANCE LEARNING UPDATE

### *New Online COBIT Training*

ISACA is currently enhancing and restructuring its online training program in order to meet the training needs of its global membership. The online COBIT Foundation Course™ exam is available at the ISACA® e-Learning Campus. Please visit [www.isaca.org/elearning](http://www.isaca.org/elearning) for the most current information regarding enhancements and availability dates.

### *November e-Symposium*

The November ISACA® e-Symposium is scheduled for Tuesday, 17 November 2009. To register for the November e-Symposium and take the first step toward earning three free continuing professional education (CPE) credits, please visit <http://isaca.brighttalk.com>. All e-symposia are recorded and archived for viewing on demand. Archived events are available for a period of 12 months. For more information, please visit [www.isaca.org/elearning](http://www.isaca.org/elearning).

### *EuroCACS and North America CACS Online*

ISACA has created a webcast library from outstanding sessions recorded at the March 2009 EuroCACS conference and the May 2009 North America CACS<sup>SM</sup> conference. Users can earn 1.5 CPEs by purchasing and completing each of the online sessions. Discounted pricing is available exclusively to ISACA members. The webcasts are available on the ISACA e-Learning Campus ([www.isaca.org/elearning](http://www.isaca.org/elearning)). ■

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# UPDATES

## CERTIFICATION UPDATE

### September Certifications

In September 2009, 739 CISA, 270 CISM, and 81 CGEIT candidates were awarded certification.

### December 2009 Exam Admission Tickets

Approximately four to six weeks prior to the exam, candidates whose exam is fully paid will be sent a physical admission ticket and an electronic e-ticket from ISACA International Headquarters. This ticket will be sent to candidates' preferred contact information listed in their profiles. To ensure the timely receipt of their admission tickets and exam results, candidates should keep the contact information in their profiles current.

If candidates have not received their admission tickets by 1 December 2009, they should contact the certification department immediately at [exam@isaca.org](mailto:exam@isaca.org), and include "admission ticket" in the subject header for more immediate attention.

To ensure that exam candidates arrive in plenty of time for the exam, ISACA recommends that candidates become familiar with the exact locations and the best travel routes to their exam site prior to the date of the exam. Candidates who arrive after the oral instructions have begun will not be allowed to sit for the exam and will forfeit their registration fee.

### Exam Identification Policy

At the time of entry, each candidate taking the exam will be admitted to the test center only if they have a valid admission ticket and an acceptable form of identification (ID). An acceptable form of ID must be a current and original government-issued ID that contains the candidate's name as it appears on the admission ticket and the candidate's photograph. All of these characteristics must be demonstrated by this single piece of ID. Examples include, but are not limited to, a passport, driver's license, military ID, state ID, green card or national ID. The ID must not contain handwritten information. Any candidate who does not provide an acceptable form of identification will not be allowed to sit for the exam and will forfeit his/her registration fee. Any questions regarding exam identification should be directed to the certification department.

### December 2009 Exam Changes/Deferrals

Changes to registration information, such as site or language, are no longer being accepted. Candidates unable to take the exam can request deferral of their registration fees to the next exam. For deferral requests received between 17 October and 25 November 2009, a processing fee of US \$100 will be charged. Deferral requests will not be accepted after 25 November 2009. Candidates can request a deferral at [www.isaca.org/examdefer](http://www.isaca.org/examdefer). The deferral fee and associated exam payment are not refundable.

### Reminder of CPE Hours

Please remind certificate holders that there are only two months remaining to earn their required CPE hours for the 2009 reporting year. To view the CPE policies, please visit [www.isaca.org/cisacpepolicy](http://www.isaca.org/cisacpepolicy), [www.isaca.org/cismcpepolicy](http://www.isaca.org/cismcpepolicy) or [www.isaca.org/cgeitcpepolicy](http://www.isaca.org/cgeitcpepolicy). In addition, certificate holders are now able to receive up to 10 CPEs annually for mentoring. Activities include mentoring efforts directly related to coaching, reviewing or assisting with CISA/CISM/CGEIT exam preparation, or providing career guidance through the credentialing process either at the organizational, chapter or individual level. The mentoring activity must support a specific person in preparation for their ISACA exam or certification career decisions. One CPE hour is earned for each hour of assistance. ■

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