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## A Letter From the New IDUG President

### Joe Borges, IDUG President

Dear IDUG Membership,

The theme of this eBulletin is PERFORMANCE - a subject close to my heart. I have been doing Application Performance and Capacity for over 25 years. I love my job and there is never a dull moment (and often it's just proving that it is NOT a DB2 problem!).

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## DB2 for LUW Performance: Buffer Pool Tuning

**By Philip Nelson, IDUG Content Committee DB2 for LUW Team Leader**

For as long as I've been involved with IDUG, performance tuning has always been one of the most popular subject areas for conference presentations and technical articles. From the wide range of possible topics in this area, two perennial favourites are buffer pool tuning and indexing strategies. At my very first IDUG conference, I attended a presentation by David Cohen where I was introduced to the various buffer pool thresholds on DB2 for z/OS for the first time. I think you'll find that many DB2 for z/OS shops will be using a methodology similar to what David taught us right to this day. I was also privileged to attend a seminar by the late Richard Yevich on "Designing for Performance" where I learnt a huge amount that is still relevant today. Looking at the agenda for the most recent conferences, there still is an appetite for this information; for example, there was a full day DB2 for LUW performance and tuning seminar by Scott Hayes at the recent IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Denver.

[Read the full article here.](#)

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[DB2 Tech Talk Webcast - Part Two Certification Prep for DB2 10 Fundamentals Exam](#): August 2, 2012

[IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Sydney, Australia](#): September 12-14, 2012

[IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Berlin, Germany](#): 4-9 November

**Sydney, Australia, 12-14 September, 2012:** Registration is now available for the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Sydney, Australia. [Register](#) to join us today!

**Berlin, Germany, 4-9 November 2012:** [Register](#) to attend the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Berlin, Germany. The online session schedule is now available - check it out and explore all of the technical education available at this event.

**Orlando, Florida, April 28 - May 3, 2013:** [Submit a presentation abstract](#) and share your DB2 knowledge with your peers. [Find out more](#) and [submit your presentation today](#).

## IDUG in Denver: Full Event Wrap Up Article Now Available

**Check out the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Denver Wrap Up article for a full review of this very successful IDUG event!**

The IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Denver, Colorado was a great success attracting nearly 600 attendees, an 11% increase from last year. The brightest minds in DB2 shared innovations, best practices and creative technical solutions as IDUG attendees took full advantage of a week of valuable technical training. The new release of DB2 10 for Linux, UNIX, and Windows was featured in a dedicated track and highlighted during the special interest group meetings on Wednesday and Thursday evening. The DB2 LUW crowd participated in a lively panel discussion as the conference planning committee brought the mini-panel back to center stage.

[Read the full article here.](#)

## DB2 Tech Talk Series on the IDUG-DB2 Channel

**DB2 Tech Talk will present a two-part series of webinars to help you prepare for the new DB2 10 for LUW Certification 610 Exam.**

**Part One: Certification Prep for DB2 10 Fundamentals Exam:** July 26, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. EST

This Tech Talk is the first of a two-part preparation for the all new DB2 10 for LUW Fundamentals 610 Exam. This is a great way to prepare for the certification exam, especially if you are taking it at the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Berlin or the Information on Demand conference.

[Register for this webinar today.](#)

**Part Two: Certification Prep for DB2 10 Fundamentals Exam:** August 2, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. EST

This is part two in the two-part series, where the preparation for the all new DB2 10 for LUW Fundamentals 610 Exam continues. If you are unable to attend part one in person, you can listen to it on replay on [www.idug-db2.com](http://www.idug-db2.com).

[Register for part two of the webinar today.](#)

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