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## eBulletin

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### A Letter From the IDUG President

#### Mark Labby, IDUG President

Happy New Year! In addition to my holiday traditions, I also have a January tradition: lunch at the Pennsylvania Farm Show. I'm not a farmer or associated with agriculture, but it's a nice change of pace.



The thing that was most striking to me after I took a few minutes and really watched the scene at this year's Farm Show, was how very similar it was to one of our IDUG DB2 Tech Conferences. We have different backgrounds and work on different platforms and tools, yet, when we get together, the conversations are flowing in the hallways because we all have that same basic language - DB2. [Read more](#).

### DB2 11 for z/OS: The Unsung Heroes

By Julian Stuhler



DB2 11 for z/OS became generally available in October 2013, and a huge amount of information is available on the many new features and functions. While some of the DB2 11 enhancements have grabbed a lot of limelight, there are several others that could have a major impact on many DB2 customers but have had far fewer column inches devoted to them.

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**Register now for Early Bird Savings!**



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### Upcoming IDUG DB2 Tech Conferences

#### [Phoenix, Arizona USA](#)

May 12-16, 2014

Registration is now open.

#### [Sydney, Australia](#)

10-12 September 2014

[Submit a presentation](#) to present in Sydney.

#### [Prague, Czech Republic](#)

9-14 November 2014

[Submit a presentation](#) to present in Prague.

### IDUG DB2 Tech Channel

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The IDUG DB2 Tech Channel has a series of live and replay webcasts to extend your knowledge on DB2. Don't miss this upcoming webcast:

**January 23 at 11:30 am CT: Leverage InfoSphere Workload Replay of DB Environment Changes**

## IDUG Board of Directors Call for Nominations

Have you ever thought of serving on the IDUG Board of Directors? Do you know someone who might? The IDUG Board of Directors is responsible for setting the overall strategy for our organization. We are seeking candidates to serve on the 2014-2015 Board of Directors, and invite nominations for our slate that will take office in May of 2014.

To apply or to submit a nomination, please complete the nomination form no later than January 17, 2014.

## Comment on the IDUG DB2 11 for z/OS White Paper for a Chance to Win

Have you read the recently-released [IDUG DB2 11 for z/OS white paper](#)?

Please add comments, suggestions, tips about DB2 11 or any other feedback you may have in the comments section. IDUG will select one contributor to the comments to win one free 2014 IDUG DB2 Tech Conference registration. The winner will be selected on March 1, 2014.

## WhitePaper

View the new white paper from InnovizeIT Ltd. titled [Keeping Mainframe Applications Healthy and Well-shaped](#).

## Enter the 2014 DB2's GOT TALENT Contest

IDUG and DBI know there is a great deal of talent in our DB2 user communities. Members of the DB2 LUW and z/OS user communities are encouraged to share their experiences with others and submit a presentation for consideration.

The first prize winner will receive a full conference registration to any 2014 IDUG DB2 Tech Conference!

Learn more and submit your presentation today.

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