

## IDUG in Brussels Attracts Global Attendee-Base



The 2016 IDUG DB2 Tech Conference took place in Brussels, Belgium November 13-17. This event drew more than 400 attendees from around the world to be immersed in 4 days of DB2 education and training, new and emerging technologies and the opportunity to network with other tech professionals while experiencing a unique and memorable city.

115 technical sessions led by the brightest minds in DB2, offered attendees a chance to hear about the latest DB2 trends and best practices. Attendees also experienced top-notch education during three distinct keynote presentations, VSP's, and expert panels. IDUG would like to thank IBM for sponsoring complimentary workshops, certification preparation workshops and certification exams. More than 170 certification exams were taken!

### Keynote Highlights

Paul Sloane kicked off the conference with a compelling keynote address, where he discussed how to reboot your thinking to achieve outstanding results. Tuesday's keynotes, led by Namik Hrle explored DB2 trends and directions, and Thursday's closing keynote address featured Marcel den Hartog, who spoke on the future of IT.

### Conference Materials

Conference proceedings are available to download by session within the IDUG mobile app. You may also access the conference materials as single file downloads [here](#). Please note, you must be logged in to access conference materials.

### Top 10 Overall Presenters (alphabetical by last name)

- John Campbell
- Florence Dubois
- Scott Hayes
- Matt Huras
- Henrik Loeser
- Terry Purcell
- Haakon Roberts
- Kelly Schlamb
- Melanie Stopfer
- Michael Tiefenbacher

### Top 5 USER Presenters (alphabetical by last name)

- Thomas Baumann
- Julia Carter
- Christoph Koch
- Stefan Korte
- Bjarne Nelson

A special mention goes out for Julia Carter and Christoph Koch who were *first-time* user speakers!

### **The Top User Presentation**

**IDAA's Role in a Big Data Architecture**

Thomas Baumann, *Swiss Mobiliar*

### **The Top Overall Presentation**

**Best Practices for Minimizing and Eliminating Planned Outages (incl V11.1 features)**

Matt Huras, *IBM*

### **Save the Date**

We hope you enjoyed your time in Brussels and returned home with valuable new DB2 knowledge and professional connections. See you again at IDUG in Lisbon, 1-5 October 2017!