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Welcome to the latest Worldwide Institute of Software Architects (WWISA) New Zealand Chapter newsletter.

In this issue we look at:

- what's next in Wellington
- appreciating TOGAF (The Open Group Architecture Framework)
- model-driven approach for software development
- information architecture, and
- New Zealand's first Enterprise Architecture conference.

WHAT'S NEXT IN WELLINGTON?

The next meeting in Wellington will be held on:

Monday 29 September 2003

12:00pm for 12:10pm - 1:00pm

Equinox Room
Level 5
Equinox House
111 The Terrace (or 222 Lambton Quay)
Wellington

The speaker will be Vish Viswanathan, Managing Partner of CC and C Solutions (<http://www.ccandcsolutions.com>) and Regional Partner for The Open Group (<http://www.opengroup.org>).

Vish has over 25 years experience in the information technology industry, and has worked with a variety corporate and government organisations implementing Enterprise Architecture. A TOGAF certified professional, Vish is also a contributor to the ongoing development of TOGAF.

Vish will be looking at "The Enterprise Architecture Initiatives of The Open Group".

Please feel free to extend an invitation to attend to any interested friends or colleagues (there is currently no cost involved with any chapter events).

APPRECIATING TOGAF

While in New Zealand, Vish will be holding a one-day "TOGAF Appreciation Course" in Auckland on Friday 26 September 2003 and in Wellington on Monday 6 October 2003. The course includes:

- An overview of Enterprise Architecture
- Enterprise Architecture frameworks
- An overview of TOGAF

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- TOGAF Enterprise Architecture principles
- TOGAF Architecture Development Method (ADM)
- TOGAF Foundation Architecture
- A process map for Enterprise Architecture development
- The future of TOGAF.

There is a \$100 discount off the course fee for WWISA members but only when using the attached registration form.

MODEL-DRIVEN APPROACH FOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

Craig Caminos gave a well-received presentation on effectively using the model-driven approach for software development at our last meetings in Auckland and Wellington.

Craig's presentation was based on three key development challenges - flexibility, consistency and productivity - and explored how each in turn could be effectively addressed using a model-driven approach. He also noted how this approach helps to remove much of the "reinventing of the wheel" from the development process, and allows developers to re-focus their efforts on more rewarding and productive activities.

A full copy of Craig's presentation can be found on the Chapter website at <http://www.wwisa.org.nz/downloads.asp> and covers:

- Model-driven theory
- Example situations
- Case studies and demonstration.

His presentation was also covered in "New Zealand Developer" - a recently-launched quarterly supplement to "Computerworld New Zealand". A full copy of the article can be found on the Computerworld website at <http://computerworld.co.nz/webhome.nsf/81476e1c0cf66ad0cc256896007c00e7/967b0519c827ea94cc256d81001OpenDocument>

INFORMATION ARCHITECTURE

The New Zealand Computer Society is bringing Gerry McGovern (<http://www.gerrymcgovern.com>) to New Zealand in October 2003 to run his internationally acclaimed workshop "Simplicity in Information Architecture Design: How to Design a Simple, Yet Robust Information Architecture".

To be held in Auckland on Thursday 9 October 2003 and in Wellington on Friday 10 October 2003, the workshop will cover:

- Information architecture fundamentals
- Metadata and classification
- Navigation
- Search
- Layout and design.

Further details and a registration form can be found on the New Zealand Computer Society website at http://www.nzcs.org.nz/events/GerryMcGovern/Oct_GerryMcGovern.htm.

ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE CONFERENCE

New Zealand's first Enterprise Architecture conference will be held in Wellington on Tuesday 4 - Wednesday 5 November 2003.

Speakers include Edwards Tuggle (Senior Software Engineering, IBM USA), Jeffrey Cornwell (Architecture and Standards Manager, Accident Compensation Corporation) and Don Bartley (Director IT Architecture, Australian Bureau of Statistics).

The conference will be followed by a one-day seminar on "Enterprise Integration Using Enterprise Architecture" presented by Clive Finkelstein, acknowledged internationally as the "father" of information engineering.

There is a 10% discount off the individual delegate rate for WWISA members.

Further details and a registration form can be found on our Chapter website at <http://www.wwisa.org.nz/OtherEvents.asp>.

THANK YOU

As a voluntary, non-profit organisation we are reliant on a wide range of individuals and organisations for support.

We would particularly like to thank:

- Equinox (<http://www.equinox.co.nz>) for hosting and providing development services for our local chapter website, and for providing the venue for our Wellington meetings
- Peace Software (<http://www.peace.com>) for providing the venue for our Auckland meetings
- The New Zealand Computer Society (<http://www.nzcs.org.nz>) for their support and promotion of selected chapter events
- Stephen Bell and Computerworld New Zealand (www.computerworld.co.nz) for their promotion and coverage of chapter activities.

These organisations enable us to offer all our services at no cost to you - so please support them so that they can continue to support us!

MAILING LIST

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You'll then be registered to receive notice of upcoming meetings, workshops and other significant chapter events.

Our mailing list is used for no other purposes, and your right to privacy is respected at all times.

Likewise, if you wish to be removed just send an email to info@wwisa.org.nz.

BOOKMARKS

- Global Enterprise Architecture Organisation
<http://www.geao.org>
- Architects Lobby
<http://www.architectslobby.com>
- "Government Computer News" - Enterprise Architecture
<http://www.gcn.com/enterprise-architecture>

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Don't forget to check out our chapter website (<http://www.wwisa.org.nz/Links.asp>) which includes links to a wide range of software architecture and related sites.

QUOTABLE VALUE

"Herding cats would be easier."

- The inaugural byline to "New Zealand Developer" - a competition is currently being held to find a less-contentious replacement!

Kind regards ... Paul

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