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RESEARCH DISCUSSION BREAKFAST SERIES

CTG is pleased to announce its spring series of Research Discussion Breakfasts, designed to air research-in-progress on a variety of government IT topics.

Thursday, March 23, 2006, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Current Issues in Social Software: Blogging, Wiki's and RSS

Tom Mackey, Assistant Professor, College of Computing and Information Studies, University at Albany, SUNY

Wednesday, April 12, 2006, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Public Accountability in an Information Age

Albert Meijer, Assistant Professor, Utrecht School of Governance, Netherlands

Wednesday, April 26, 2006, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Future Scenarios for eGovernment

Sharon Dawes, Director, Center for Technology in Government

Wednesday, May 10, 2006, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Political Communication and the Influence of IT

Jennifer Stromer-Galley, Assistant Professor, Department of Communications, University at Albany, SUNY

Wednesday, June 7, 2006, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

The XML Testbed: Lessons Learned and Future Research

Donna Canestraro, Program Manager, Center for Technology in Government

Ramon Gil-Garcia, Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Technology in Government

All discussions take place at CTG's offices at 187 Wolf Road, Albany, New York.

CTG TO PRESENT CAPABILITY TOOLKIT FOR NASCIO CONFERENCE CALL PRESENTATION

Sharing Justice Information: A Capability Assessment Toolkit

Tuesday, March 21, 2006

Dr. Anthony Cresswell, Deputy Director, Center for Technology in Government

Government faces many challenges that can be addressed more successfully when information is shared across organizational boundaries. Initiatives that depend on these kinds of information sharing are typically complex, difficult, and prone to failure. They are more likely to succeed when they include a comprehensive and systematic assessment of both organizational and technical information sharing capabilities.

Dr. Cresswell will present Sharing Justice Information: A Capability Assessment Toolkit, along with the Web-based version, called the Online Tool, on the subject of information sharing and collaboration. This toolkit is designed for justice professionals to use when considering or planning for a justice information-sharing initiative.

Starting Time: 3:30 ET; 2:30 CT; 1:30 MT; 12:30 PT

Presentation slides are available for download after registering at:
<http://www.nascio.org/nascioCommittees/EA/webinarForm.cfm>

Call in Bridge for the audio: 888-272-7337; Conference ID 6613175 Please attend early as there is a limit of 120 participants on the audio portion; and download the slides well in advance of the conference call.

For more information on the Toolkit, please go to:
http://www.ctg.albany.edu/publications/guides/sharing_justice_info.

eGOVERNANCE AND FREE SOFTWARE: HOW THEY ARE CHANGING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

March 16, 2006, 3 - 6 p.m.

United Nations Headquarters, Conference Room 6

New York, New York

CTG deputy director, Theresa Pardo, will participate on a panel at the United Nations University, International Institute for Software Technology (UNI-IIST), along with fellow panelists:

Mike Reed, Director, UNU-IIST;

Tomasz Janowski, Research Fellow, UNU-IIST;

Scott McNeil, General Manager, UNU-IIST's Open Computing Initiative; and

Michael Tiemann, Vice President, Open Source Affairs, Red Hat.

The panel will discuss UNU-IIST's work in software technology for developing countries, especially open source and eGovernance and how technology can enhance government services.

The event is free and open to the public. For more information or to register to attend, visit:
<http://www.ony.unu.edu/seminars/2006/opensource/index.shtml>.