

## Awards and Recognition

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Since 1993, CTG has earned recognition from state and national organizations for both our organizational accomplishments and the individual expertise and service of our staff. We have received honors ranging from the prestigious Ford Foundation's Innovations in *American Government Award* to *Governing* magazine's Public Official of the Year award. Each award and honor has special meaning to our organization, and we thank those who have extended this recognition. In 2008, we received the following awards:

### Best Practice Award



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The New York State Forum's *Best Practices* award acknowledges the work done each year by New York state and local government organizations in the area of Information Resource Management. CTG and the New York State Office of Children and Family Services were honored in 2008 for their collaborative effort in a research-practice partnership to learn about how mobile technologies can be used in child protective services (CPS) work in New York State.

**Excellence in Teaching Award, UAlbany** Each year, the University at Albany honors special members of its community with *Excellence Awards* denoting exceptional contributions to the life of the campus. Theresa Pardo, deputy director, was awarded the 2008 excellence in teaching award.

### Best Paper Award, Digital Government Society of North America



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At the Digital Government Society of North America's 9th Annual International Digital Government Research Conference (dg.o 2008), Donna Canestraro, Theresa Pardo, and Anna Raup-Kounovsky, along with Dennis Taratus of the New York State Department of Public Service (DPS), received the Best Management, Case Study, and Policy Paper Award for *Regional Telecommunication Incident Response: Delivering Public Value Through Increased Trust*. The paper was based on a joint CTG-DPS project to explore the potential for regional telecommunications incident response coordination in the New York region.

**Best Paper Award, American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T)** CTG and the Department of Communication at the University at Albany collaborated on a paper chosen for the John Wiley & Sons *Best JASIST Paper* award from the American Society for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T). The paper, *Geographic Information Technologies, Structuration Theory, and the World Trade Center Crisis* was coauthored by Teresa M. Harrison, chair, Department of Communication, and CTG's Theresa Pardo, deputy director, J. Ramon Gil-Garcia, research fellow, Fiona Thompson, former senior program associate, and Dubravka Juraga, former research associate.