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A Letter From the IDUG President

Mark Labby, IDUG President



If you only think of IDUG in conjunction with one of our DB2 Tech Conferences, you may think winter is 'down time.' Far from that, these have been some of the busiest months on my IDUG calendar!

The [DB2's Got Talent contest](#) is just swinging into high gear and looking for the final contestants to enter. IDUG and DBI know there is a great deal of talent in our DB2 user communities. If you have interacted with DB2 in any way, you have likely enjoyed some form of success; you have probably also solved some challenges. Please consider sharing them with the community by [entering the contest](#).

[Read more.](#)

Top 10 Performance Features of DB2 LUW 10.5 and 10.1

By Joe Geller



DB2 10.5 is best known for BLU Acceleration, which is the new columnar store for tables. Organizing tables by column rather than row can lead to dramatic improvements in elapsed time for analytical queries.

You might think that if your shop is primarily OLTP, you don't need to upgrade to 10.5 and could just stick with version 10.1 (and many shops are still at 9.7 or 9.5). If that is your thought, you should know that there are many other improvements in version 10.5 covering performance, availability and ease of use.

[Read the full article.](#)

Session Agenda and Speakers Announced for IDUG Phoenix

IDUG is pleased to announce the session agenda for the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Phoenix. [View the agenda](#) by presenter, title, track or time to find sessions that align with your interests!



Take advantage of [early bird registration](#)

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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.

rates with the code **EARLYNA**, available now through March 14.

IDUG DB2 Tech Channel

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:

February 27 at 11:30 am CT: Use InfoSphere Information Server with DB2 for Data Integration and Governance

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.

Upcoming IDUG DB2 Tech Seminars

Bangalore, India

25 March 2014

Call for presentations is now open.

Chennai, India

27 March 2014

Call for presentations is now open.

London, England

16 April 2014

Registration is now open.

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