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## A Letter From the IDUG President

### Joe Borges, IDUG President

Dear IDUG Membership,

I am just back from one of the best vacations I have had in many years, where I enjoyed two wonderful weeks of rest and relaxation with no access to internet/Wi-Fi or cell phone. It was an old fashioned vacation - just the way vacations should be! Just like vacations have changed over the years, the way we learn today has changed significantly. In today's fast paced work environments, good 'old fashion' training is hard to come by due to time demands and depleted training budgets. Yet, we are expected to stay current with technology!

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## Modernizing I.T. Applications to DB2: From Inefficiency to a Vital Environment

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By Mitch McCluhan

As legacy applications continue to age, the vast majority of I.T. organizations have multiple database environments. With IBM's DB2 being the predominate player in the mainframe arena, many shops are looking at the future of the other database software installed alongside DB2, or, for those sites that do not have DB2, what to do with their older, inefficient and non-relational DBMS software.

It is becoming more and more apparent that the ability to support and maintain tools other than DB2 DBMS is becoming more costly, more and more difficult and less effective in relation to:

- Available experienced staff
- Tools to support the ongoing use of non-DB2 environments
- ISV utilities to enhance and provide access to the DBMS environment and the data contained therein
- The general overall inefficiency of the non-relational DBMS software for the mainframe

[Read the full article here.](#)

## IDUG DB2 Tech Conferences



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## Calendar of Events

[IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Berlin, Germany](#): 4-9 November 2012

[IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in](#)

**Stay on the forefront of the latest developments in DB2 and get the best technical training to advance your career.**

[Orlando, Florida](#): April 28 - May 3, 2013

**Berlin, Germany, 4-9 November 2012:** Time is running out for you to [Register](#) to attend the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Berlin, Germany. Take advantage of **FREE IBM Pre-Certification courses and exams** and a range of **complimentary Workshops from IBM** including DB2 LUW Administration for SAP, DB2 10 for z/OS Pre-Certification Workshop, DB2 10 for LUW Pre-Certification Workshop, DB2 10 for z/OS New Functions and Migration Planning Workshop and Data Warehousing with DB2 for z/OS: IBM DB2 Analytics Accelerator Deep Dive Workshop. [Learn more](#) and [register today](#).

**Orlando, Florida, April 28 - May 3, 2013:** Registration is now open for the IDUG DB2 Tech Conference in Orlando, Florida! This event will feature the latest in DB2 technologies, networking opportunities and the technical content you need to be successful. Housing is also available, so make sure to [book your room](#) at the Caribe Royale All-Suites Hotel.

## B2 Tech Talk: What's Hot From Information On Demand

### *for DB2 for Linux UNIX and Window and Related Products*

October 24 at 12:30 p.m. EST  
[Register Today!](#)

Host Serge Rielau overviews news from the Information on Demand conference about DB2 for Linux, UNIX and Windows and other IBM Data Management products - don't miss this Tech Talk! Serge will be including guest speakers who will be speaking on some key topic areas you will not want to miss.

Also, check out the complete set of replays from other DB2 Tech Talks throughout 2012: many focusing on the recently announced new features of DB2 10 for Linux, UNIX and Windows at [www.idug-db2.com](http://www.idug-db2.com). A replay of this talk will be available immediately upon conclusion.

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Delay costly upgrades and improve DB2 performance and availability.

[Read the white paper](#)

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