



## Mirna Kos Elected New President of IDUG

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IDUG President Mirna Kos officially assumed her duties at the 2018 IDUG Db2 Tech Conference. Fewer than a handful of women have led the organization in its 30-year history.



"I am honored by this opportunity to serve IDUG as its president," she said. "This is an important time for IDUG as we look for ways to expand our reach into emerging technology communities, as well as new geographical areas. I'm eager to work with the board to ensure IDUG's continued success." The IDUG community welcomes Mirna and wishes her success in the coming year.

## President's Letter



*Luc Vandaele, IDUG President*

Hear from Luc Vandaele in this month's [President's Letter](#).

## Bring a Friend to Malta - Special Offer

IDUG's [Bring a Friend](#) offer is a great way for you to share the IDUG Db2 Tech Conference experience with a first-time attendee. Your friend can receive a 60% discount if they are a first-time attendee, AND you have registered for the conference at the Loyalty, Early Bird, or Full rate.

[Register TODAY](#) to attend 2018 IDUG [Db2 Tech Conference in Malta](#), November 4-8, and invite a friend to join you.

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## Still Time to Submit Your Abstract for Australia Db2 Tech Conference

Call for Presentations for IDUG [Db2 Tech Conference in Sydney Australia](#), September 11-13, is open until May 18. [Submit your abstract](#) and [register today](#) at the Early Bird Rate to save AU \$250!

## Upcoming Webcasts

May 15, 2018, 11:00 a.m. EDT  
[Overview of Db2 11 and Db2 12 SQL Enhancements](#)

April 17, 2018 11:00 AM EDT  
[Best Practices for Developing High Performing Java Applications for Db2 for z/OS](#)

September 11, 2018, 11:00 a.m. EDT  
[Db2 12 for z/OS: Improving Availability and Resilience](#)

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# It's a Wrap! Attendance Grows at IDUG Db2 Tech Conference in Philly

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More than 500 attendees celebrated IDUG's 30th Anniversary in Philadelphia.

The keynote session was kicked off by Andrew "Flip" Filipowski who cofounded IDUG with IBM in 1988. Flip provided a great overview of industry change and disruption with insights into how attendees can capitalize on this.



Michele Goetz from Forrester Research presented "Your Business Is Only As Fast As Your Data." Her presentation demonstrated how AI is transforming all facets of business today.



Spotlight Sessions brought back a couple familiar faces to Db2 and IDUG, Sal Vella and Roger Miller. They provided a history of Db2 bringing us up to the present day. Jessica Rockwood, Maureen Townsend, and their development teams covered future directions.

As the data management landscape changes, so does IBM and IDUG. We just completed a series of events in India attended by over 600 paying individuals. The first-ever series of events in Brazil will take place later this year. IBM and IDUG will also be delivering regional Application Developer Days in key markets globally.

The week of IDUG delivered 119 sessions and activities, including Hands on Labs, Workshops, Educational Seminars, IBM Certification, Client Breakouts, and more. IBM also hosted the IDUG 30th anniversary reception and gave out awards to many of those who continue to invest their personal time for IDUG's success.



## Highly Scalable Distributed Query Processing with IBM Queryplex

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Data is the cornerstone of business and it exists everywhere. You can find it in databases and big data clusters, in branch offices or manufacturing devices, in ATMs, in cars, trucks and in sensors. The typical enterprise may have hundreds of different data repositories with different formats for the data and in different lines of business. Data scientists and reporting applications have a need to query across many of those sources to derive insights for the business. [Read the full article.](#)

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