Digital Archiving: From Fragmentation to Collaboration

The National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS) and the eC3 Digital Archiving Symposium recently released "Digital Archiving: From Fragmentation to Collaboration." This paper is the work product of a symposium hosted last June in Bellevue, WA by NASS and Washington Secretary of State Sam Reed. Theresa Pardo, deputy director, CTG, facilitated the two-day symposium and Brian Burke, senior program associate for CTG, authored the paper based on presentations and discussions that took place at the symposium.

Participating in the symposium were several secretaries of state, along with archivists and librarians from more than 15 states and non-profits and representatives from the Library of Congress and the National Archives and Records Administration.

The paper was formally introduced at the eC3 Annual Conference http://www.ec3.org/symposia/SymNass.html in Sacramento, CA on December 4, 2006 in a plenary session that included a panel of Secretaries and a full review of the paper's components by CTG's Brian Burke.

The paper can be downloaded from the NASS Web site at: www.nass.org.

US-China International Workshop on Digital Government Research and Practice

The first US-China International Workshop on Digital Government Research and Practice (IntDG 2006) was held in Beijing on October 11 - 13, 2006.

The objective was to create an intellectual forum for digital government researchers in the U.S. and China to exchange research ideas; foster collaboration; and explore collaborative opportunities between the professional DG societies from both countries. The workshop focused on four panels: city government and services, environment, public health, and international digital government research and societies.

Sharon Dawes, director of CTG, and Lei Zheng, a Public Administration Ph.D student at Rockefeller College and Graduate Assistant at CTG, attended as members of the U.S. delegation.


CTG's Public Value Framework featured in December Issues of Public CIO and FCW

State's ERP project inspires public value approach Pennsylvania system used as a case study to assess impact of IT on citizen services, FCW, December 4, 2006

An enterprise resource planning project in Pennsylvania may inspire future government technology initiatives that deliver what some university researchers call a public return on investment.

The state's Integrated Enterprise System, which spans 53 agencies, was one of five case studies highlighted as part of a research project at the State University of New York at Albany. That effort, led by the school's Center for Technology in Government with funding and guidance from software vendor SAP, focuses on the public value of information technology as opposed to traditional ROI measures. CTG and SAP officials unveiled the case study and an accompanying white paper in October.

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>> http://www.fcw.com/article96949-12-04-06-Print

Finding Government's ROI
New research report looks at how government can measure the social, economic and political benefits of IT, **Public CIO**, December 02, 2006.

The current economic climate and leadership changes nationwide make taxpayers and legislators edgier with how public money is being spent. Competition for IT funding continues, as does the pressure to demonstrate results. IT's broad potential to completely transform public services presents governments with an unprecedented opportunity to deliver conveniences to citizens. On the other hand, the belt is tightening.

Passage of the Federal Funding and Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 has suggested that accountability is here to stay. Yet how can results of the almost infinite ways IT can enhance services for citizens be measured?

The Center for Technology in Government (CTG) and software giant SAP partnered to study how various governments globally have successfully used and measured IT.

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For the full report or more information, please go to: [http://www.ctg.albany.edu/projects/proi](http://www.ctg.albany.edu/projects/proi)

**REMEMBER: Call for Papers: Dg.o2007 Bridging Disciplines and Domains**

The International Conference on Digital Government Research is a forum for the presentation and discussion of interdisciplinary research on digital government and its applications in diverse domains. Interested participants are invited to submit research papers as well as proposals for panels, system demonstrations, posters, and pre-conference tutorials and workshops.

Conference co-chairs:

Judith Bayard Cushing, Evergreen State College

Theresa A. Pardo, Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany/SUNY

Submission deadline for research papers, panels, Birds of a Feather (BOF) sessions, and pre-conference tutorials is December 18, 2006.

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