

Recent Events

IQ Breakfast Briefing held in Dublin, Ireland

On Thursday, February 24th 2005, the DCU School of Computing hosted the "Information Quality Breakfast Briefing" at The Helix - Dublin City University (www.dcu.ie). The Breakfast Briefing, which was organised in conjunction with the International Association for Information and Data Quality, included informative talks from representatives of eircom, BT Exact, IBM, SAP, and the Assistant Data Protection Commissioner.

Among the issues explored were evolving best practice thinking in reframing information quality management, information quality management and data compliance, and data quality in data warehousing and for field process excellence. Examples were given of the massive returns on investment possible from Information Quality Management (approx €1 billion over 5 years in one case).

Dr. Markus Helfert, IAIDQ Vice President - Member Services and a researcher in Information Quality at DCU, said "This successful launch event, which was attended by over 60 interested researchers and professionals, was the first in a series of events that will highlight the problems associated with poor data and information quality, and will provide a platform for discussing ideas and exchanging experiences in improving and managing information quality."



Left to right: Mr Daragh O'Brien (eircom, Ireland), Dr Markus Helfert (DCU School of Computing, Ireland), Mr Nelius Lynch (Assistant Data Protection Commissioner, Ireland), Mr David Evans (BT Exact, UK), Mr Manfred Goerk (SAP AG, Germany), Dr Barry Devlin (IBM, Ireland), and Nigel Turner (BT Exact, UK)

Within the IAIDQ and in co-operation with the Irish Computer Society (www.ics.ie) the launch of this series of events aims to provide an IQ Network in Ireland for professionals and researchers concerned about the quality of business data and information. As a local hub for IAIDQ members in Ireland, it will provide a forum for like-minded individuals and it will support members' efforts in driving improvements in information and data quality management throughout Irish organisations.

"This new group will benefit all members of the IAIDQ in Ireland and its broad membership, in addition to the skills and knowledge of the premiere international organisation in the field", said Daragh O'Brien, convener of the IQ Network. The next event of this series is planned for 13th of October 2005 at Dublin City University.

Presentations and further information are available at the IQ Network web page: www.computing.dcu.ie/research/dataquality/iqireland or contact Daragh O'Brien at daragh.obrien@iaidq.org

Forthcoming Events



The 17th Information Quality Conference

September 19-23, 2005 in Houston, TX
 Organized in partnership with Information Impact International
 15% discount to IAIDQ Members

The **17th Information Quality Conference** is now an Official Conference of the IAIDQ. Included at the conference will be an official IAIDQ meeting and possible breakout meetings for official IAIDQ business. For more information, please visit infoimpact.com.

Find the most up-to-date **Calendar of Forthcoming Activities** online at iaidq.org/main/calendar.shtml

18-20 Apr 2005	Information Quality Improvement 10% discount to IAIDQ members www.infoimpact.com/pubseminars.cfm	Nashville, TN USA
21-22 Apr 2005	Information Stewardship 10% discount to IAIDQ members www.infoimpact.com/pubseminars.cfm	Nashville, TN, USA
25-27 Apr 2005	Developing Quality Data Models 10% discount to IAIDQ members www.infoimpact.com/pubseminars.cfm	Nashville, TN, USA
3 May 2005	Training event: Database in Depth: Relational Theory for Practitioners with Chris Date 45% discount to IAIDQ members www.iaidq.org/main/chris_date.shtml	Portland, OR USA
31 May – 02 Jun 2005	Managing Information and Data Quality (IDQ) www.ark-group.com/	London, UK
14 Jun 2005	Second International Workshop on Data and Information Quality (DIQ'05) http://www.computing.dcu.ie/research/dataquality/diq/	Porto, Portugal
17 Jun 2005	IQIS 2005 Workshop iqis.irisa.fr/	Baltimore, MD USA
19-23 Sep 2005	17th Information Quality Conference 15% discount to IAIDQ members	Houston, TX USA
13 Oct 2005	The Second Information Quality Forum - Dublin http://www.computing.dcu.ie/research/dataquality/iqireland/	Dublin City, Ireland
4-6 Nov 2005	10th International Conference on Information Quality www.iqconference.org	Cambridge, MA, USA
7-10 Nov 2005	Data Management and Information Quality Conferences 2005 IQ2005, DAMA Conference Europe 2005 and Metadata Europe Conference 2005 www.irmuk.co.uk/dm2005	London, UK

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IAIDQ Members are invited to send in their contributions to be considered for the July 2005 issue of the Newsletter.

WHEN: June 15, 2005 (Wednesday) Submission Deadline

WHAT: Articles (1000-1200 words)
Tips / Best Practices (400-650 words)
Recent DQ News (40-500 words)
Upcoming DQ Events (event title, location, link to more information)

HOW: Send contributions in editable electronic medium
(preferably MS Word)
via email to editor@iaidq.org

Detailed submission guidelines are available by request. Please email the editor.

We also welcome any comments or suggestions you may have regarding our Newsletter. Please do not hesitate to contact Michelle Dy [michelle.dy@iaidq.org] or Markus Helfert [markus.helfert@iaidq.org].

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