

Gartner Announces Speakers for Its Symposium/ITxpo 2010, 8-11 November, in Cannes, France

Analysts to Look Back at the Past 20 Years in IT and Discuss What's Possible for the Next 20 Years

Egham, UK, 23 July, 2010 – Gartner, Inc. today announced speakers for its Symposium/ITxpo 2010, to be held at the Palais des Festivals in Cannes, France, 8-11 November.

Over four days, 3,000 CIOs and senior IT leaders, more than 80 Gartner analysts and more than 40 solution providers will gather to discuss how to prepare for recovery while maintaining the discipline learned from the downturn. In addition, Gartner analysts will examine the past 20 years in IT and discuss what's possible for the next 20 years.

The agenda will include more than 200 sessions, keynotes, end-user case studies, workshops, roundtables and feature influential visionaries and technology executives from across the industry, including Michael Dell, Chairman and CEO, Dell and Wolfgang Gaertner, CIO, Deutsche Bank.

“No other event can duplicate the depth and breadth of the features and content presented at Symposium/ITxpo,” said **Jeff Mann, research vice president and Symposium/ITxpo conference chair at Gartner**. *“In past years, approximately 1,200 C-level executives attended the event. Most of them are joined by their direct reports, making Symposium/ITxpo a must attend event that provides the broadest coverage of the most important topics in IT.”*

This year's event will focus on nine-role-based tracks plus a special programme for CIOs. It comprises more than 200 analyst-led sessions, interactive workshops, peer roundtables and how-to clinics. *“We enhanced the programme to include more industry-oriented content around defense, financial services, healthcare, government and higher education, and overall an increased focus on Europe,”* said **Mr Mann**. *“Delegates will be able to walk away with a clear action plan for the next three, six and 12 months, and discover processes and technologies that can help cut costs and improve efficiency while expanding existing capabilities.”*

For further information about the event please visit www.gartner.com/eu/symposium.

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About Gartner Symposium/ITxpo

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