



Call for Presentations

IDUG 2007 - North America

May 6 - 10, 2007 ■ San Jose Marriott & Convention Center ■ San Jose, California

Share Your Knowledge --

Strengthen the IBM DBMS User Community

The International DB2 Users Group (IDUG®) and the International Informix User Group (IIUG) are accepting presentation abstracts for IDUG 2007 - North America, May 6-10 in San Jose, California. This is your opportunity to share your DB2 and Informix experience and expertise with an audience of your peers who rely on, or are considering incorporating DB2 and/or Informix in their shop. If your presentation abstract is selected to be delivered at the conference, you will receive one complimentary IDUG 2007 - North America conference registration.

Presentation Requirements

IDUG and IIUG are soliciting presentation abstracts that delve into the details of implementation, migrating to a new release, or maximizing performance from any member of the DB2 and Informix product family. In recognition of the complex requirements of today's database implementations, **presentation abstracts relating to tools and utilities solutions complementary to the DB2 and Informix product families are also being requested.**

All presentations must be strongly technical in nature, cannot contain marketing themes, and must support and strengthen the information services community by providing the highest quality education and services designed to promote the effective utilization of the DB2 and Informix family of products.

Product Families

The DB2 Product Family includes DB2 for z/OS; DB2 for Linux, UNIX, Windows; DB2 Data Warehouse Edition, DB2 Universal Database for iSeries; DB2 for VSE and VM; and DB2 Everyplace.

The IBM Informix Product Family includes Informix Dynamic Server (IDS), C-ISAM, Extended Parallel Server (XPS), On-Line, Standard Engine (SE), Red Brick Warehouse, I-4GL, ISQL, and ESQ/C.

Presentation Topics

The Conference Planning Committee strives to achieve a balanced conference program of business solutions relevant to today's IT environment and usage of DB2 and Informix on one or more platforms (e.g., Windows, Linux, UNIX, z/OS). Presentation Categories include:

- Application development and implementation
- Creative methods for managing database resources
- Experiences with data warehousing and business intelligence applications
- Experiences with distributed, e-business and web applications
- Experiences with packaged applications (e.g. ERP)
- Experiences with new releases and features of DBMS
- Information Integration (e.g. federated access, replication, etc.)
- Emerging technology (e.g. XML, .NET, SOA, Java, Open Source)
- Managing performance or availability
- Complementary tools and utilities solutions

Critical Dates

September 1, 2006

Abstracts due to IDUG Headquarters.
IDUG will confirm receipt of your abstract(s) submission(s) via e-mail.

Week of October 23, 2006

Speakers will be selected and notified via e-mail/telephone.

February 2, 2007

Draft presentation due to IDUG Headquarters.

March 2, 2007

Final presentation due to IDUG Headquarters.

Free Registration, Industry Recognition, And the Chance to Travel

If your presentation is selected to be delivered at IDUG 2007 - North America, you will receive one complimentary conference registration.

Dual presenters are eligible for one free conference registration and a second registration at a reduced rate. The conference registration fee includes access to all conference activities, scheduled meals and social functions, program materials, conference proceedings, and a one-year IDUG membership.

Additionally, all presentations delivered by users are eligible for "The Best User Presentation" award. "The Best User Presentation" award is based exclusively on the evaluation of conference attendees. If your presentation is selected as "Best User Presentation," IDUG will send you on an all expense paid trip to deliver your presentation at another IDUG conference.

Unable to present, but want to attend? Visit www.idug.org for more information.

Submitting Your Presentation Abstract

Abstracts can be submitted via the IDUG Web site. If you do not have access to the Web, please contact IDUG Headquarters at naspeakers@idug.org.

1. Visit the IDUG web site at www.idug.org.
2. Click on IDUG 2007 -- North America drop down menu.
3. Go to 2007 Call for Presentations.
4. Complete the electronic form and submit to IDUG Headquarters by **September 1, 2006**.

Examples are included below to help you through the process. All presentation abstracts must be received by **September 1, 2006** to be considered. Presentations received after **September 1, 2006** will not be considered. If you have questions or need more information, please contact IDUG Headquarters at naspeakers@idug.org.

If you have previously submitted an abstract for ANY IDUG conference, you are already in IDUG's speaker database and simply need to login using your Speaker Login (e-mail address) and Speaker Password. Please note - you can change your password at any time.

If you have NOT previously submitted an abstract to be considered for an IDUG conference, you will need to register in the speaker database as a first time submitter.

If you are unable to login or have difficulty registering in the IDUG's speaker database, please contact IDUG Headquarters at naspeakers@idug.org.

General Instructions: You may submit an unlimited number of abstracts. IDUG and IIUG will accept two-part presentations. If you have a two-part presentation from another conference, please select "Double Session" in the Call for Presentations Form. It is very important that you provide ALL of the information requested below when submitting your presentation(s) for review. Failure to provide all requested information might impact whether or not the abstract is accepted.

Items 1 and 3 only need to be submitted once, regardless of the number of presentations submitted. Items 4-10 should be submitted with EACH presentation.

1. Speaker Information: Provide your name, professional title, organization name, business address, telephone and FAX numbers, city, state or province, country, ZIP or postal code and e-mail address. If you have a co-presenter, please indicate this along with their appropriate biographical information. If you are a past speaker at an IDUG conference, please contact IDUG Headquarters to update your information at naspeakers@idug.org.

2. Permissions and Release: Provide permission to electronically post speaker biography, abstract and five key bullet points on the IDUG Web site and to publish this information in any printed or electronic IDUG conference marketing materials. In addition, IDUG may edit speaker's abstract, and five key bullet points for consistency, style, and grammar as necessary. Also, provide permissions for IDUG to post your presentation on the Conference Web Proceedings and CD ROM, as well as IDUG Insider.

3. Speaker Biography: In 650 character s or less, recap your professional and outside experiences as they pertain to your presentation(s).

4. Presentation Title: Titles must be clear, concise, and 50 characters or less.

5. Presentation Length: Single Session presentations are 60 minutes in length. Double Sessions are 120 minutes in length.

6. Platform: Indicate platform(s) to which your presentation applies, such as DB2 UDB for z/OS; DB2 UDB for UNIX, Linux, Windows; Informix; or cross platform.

7. Presentation Category: Specify the category of your presentation. Although your presentation may apply to many categories, some of the most popular are:

- Managing performance or availability
- Experiences with new releases and features
- Experiences with e-business and web applications
- Experiences with packaged applications (e.g. ERP)
- Experiences with data warehousing and business intelligence applications
- Application development and implementation
- Creative methods for managing DB2 resources
- Information Integration using DB2 and/or Informix
- Tool and utilities complementing the DB2 and Informix product families

8. Audience Experience Level: Select the single, most relevant audience level to which this presentation is geared: Beginner, Intermediate to Advanced Users or All Users.

9. Abstract: Provide a concise abstract of your presentation, not exceeding 425 characters.

Example:

Performance is a key database requirement. Achieving high performance depends on selecting the right hardware for the job, a physical database design suitable for the hardware, appropriate auxiliary database structures, and correct settings for configuration parameters and register settings. This presentation will cover these various stages of performance tuning.

If your presentation is selected, this information will be published on the IDUG Web site and in the Final Program distributed to all conference attendees. (Note: Any abstract of more than 425 characters may be edited.) Some presentations may also be selected as repeat sessions.

10. Presentation History: Indicate if this is a new or existing presentation. If it is an existing presentation, please indicate where it has been given and if it contains new and/or updated information.

11. 2007 Conferences: If you would like your abstract to be considered for another 2007 IDUG conference, please indicate this using the online submission form.

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