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IP3 Chair Confirms IP3 Recognition and Acceptance Model

Greg Lane, Chair of IP3 explains importance of certified members of IFIP Societies that have been accredited by IP3 having their certification recognized by other accredited Societies.

Following a Board meeting and AGM earlier in the week, and several meetings with IFIP Member Societies, the International Professional Practice Partnership (IP3), confirmed that Societies who have been accredited by IP3, will accept the certification of individuals from other accredited societies. The professional level of IP3 certification is known as IP3P.

IP3's vision is to lead the development of a global ICT profession, and this conference will explain the relevance of Professionalism to Industry and practitioners. The three principle aims of IP3 are to:

- Promote, communicate and champion the importance and benefits of professionalism in ICT;
- Facilitate the development of professionalism by providing information, guidance and support; *and*
- Establish a body of standards underwritten with the unique international credibility of IFIP.

Greg Lane, IP3 Board Chair, and Chairman of CIPS OCE, said today "We can announce immediately that the two Societies that have already been accredited, ACS and CIPS, will reciprocally recognize Professionals certified by each Society. The Associations who seek accreditation next year; NZCS, CSSA, IPSJ and others, plan to do likewise."

Anthony Wong, President, ACS congratulated IP3 for such a milestone agreement and said "The IP3 Recognition and Acceptance Model is a good step forward. It helps ICT to be recognised as a truly global profession. Accredited as the first IP3 recognised Certification Program, the ACS will continue its drive for professionalism and professional excellence in ICT."

IP3 is a project, managed by a Board, of the International Federation for Information Processing (IFIP), who recognize the importance of a global profession to ensure workforce mobility, and equal opportunity for all ICT Professionals irrespective of where they live and work. IP3 has established a Global Industry Council to give guidance on how this should evolve to ensure that industry requirements are carefully considered. It also plans to set up a Developing Nations Council to allow it to include countries who might need additional assistance either in establishing an accreditation plan or even creating a National ICT Society if they do not already have one.

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"In our quest to create a global profession for ICT, mutual acceptance of certified status is essential if we are to achieve this vision", said Basie von Solms, outgoing IFIP President "We are pleased with the progress made to date, and most especially that this key issue has been resolved".

About IFIP

The **International Federation for Information Processing**, usually known as IFIP, is an umbrella organisation for national societies working in the field of [information technology](#). It is a non-governmental, non-profit organization with headquarters in [Austria](#). Its members include over 48 national societies and academies of science, with over half a million members. IFIP was established in 1960 under the auspices of [UNESCO](#), under the name International Federation of Information Processing Societies (IFIPS); the name was changed in 1961. The original contribution of IFIP was the definition of the [Algol 60](#) programming language, which was one of the first examples of truly international collaboration in computer science and left a durable mark on the entire field. Visit www.ifip.org for more information.

About IP3

The IP3 is leading the development of the global IT profession by providing a platform that will help shape and implement relevant policies to foster professionalism in IT worldwide. Visit www.ipthree.org for more information.

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