

# IT Management Summit on Interoperability for Virtualization: Reducing the Complexity

**Thursday, April 3, 2008**

**The Metropolitan Club**

**Chicago, Illinois**

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- 8:00am - 8:45am      **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:45am - 9:00am      **Introduction and Overview**  
Ron Milton, Executive Vice President, Computerworld
- 9:00am - 9:45am      **View from the Top: The Relationship Between Virtualization, Interoperability and Reducing Complexity**  
John Humphreys, Program Vice President, Enterprise Platforms, IDC
- 9:45am - 10:15am      **Virtualization as a Strategic Resource**  
Dennis L'Heureux, Chief Information Officer and Senior Vice President for Planning, Rockford Health System
- 10:15am - 10:30am      **Refreshment and Networking Break**
- 10:30am - 11:15am      **Cross Platform Virtualization: Reducing Complexity**  
Jamie Peebles, Windows Server Technology Specialist, Microsoft  
Don Vosburg, Linux Technology Specialist, Novell
- 11:15am – 12:15pm      **Moderated Panel Discussion**  
Moderator: Ron Milton, Executive Vice President, Computerworld  
Panelists: John Humphreys, Program Vice President, Enterprise Platforms, IDC; Dennis L'Heureux, Chief Information Officer and Senior Vice President for Planning, Rockford Health System; Jamie Peebles, Windows Server Technology Specialist, Microsoft; Don Vosburg, Linux Technology Specialist, Novell; Luis Rodriguez, Enterprise Technology Specialist, Intel
- 12:15pm – 1:30pm      **Special Luncheon with Technology Showcase**
- 1:30pm                      **Program Concludes**

## On IT taking a leadership role to reduce complexity, costs and increase service levels...

“Good is not good enough... IT has to be great!”

- *Wendell Fox, SVP – IT, Marriott International*

## Show of Hands...

How many feel they have achieved as much as possible in reducing costs, improving service levels and driving enterprise agility towards a dynamic IT environment?

## What are the issues of the day affecting IT?

“Complexity in IT remains high”

“Business demands a more agile service-oriented IT delivery”

“IT Provisioning to meet dynamically changing needs”

“Virtualizing resources in a heterogeneous environment”

**Sound familiar?**

## Our issues surround the reality of complexity...

- Heterogeneity is a constant; interoperability is required
- Resource utilization need to be better, thus virtualization
- Cultural changes in IT are needed to be effective
- Dependability in partners (not alone) is a key to success

## This Morning's Objectives

- Explore the depths of virtualization technologies
  - In the context of an interoperable environment moving towards a dynamic IT infrastructure
- Listen to industry experts and case studies from companies that have experience in these areas
  - Understand how to reduce complexity and realize lower costs, increased service levels and greater agility