Annual Conference - *The Future.Ready() Mainframe*

Whittlebury Hall, 7-8 November 2017

Conference Website http://conferences.gse.org.uk/

General Information

Two full days of technical presentations based on current software enhancements, best practice, how to and why for deployment of new features, 101 classes for a new generation, ideas on how to leverage your current software investments.

Meet with vendors to refresh your knowledge of what is available in the market place for your current or future requirements.

Network with your peers and product/platform experts during the breaks, at pre-dinner drink, at the conference dinner, or over breakfast.

Who should attend

- Executives/managers charged responsible for Mainframe based services
- Mainframe specialists in all disciplines
- Applications Developers
- Beginners to IT or the Mainframe
- Experienced Mainframe specialist branching into new areas

Agenda

Full agenda available on the website:
http://conferences.gse.org.uk/2017/agenda

Day 1

Keynote: The Future Ready Imperative – A Mainstreamed Mainframe
Speaker :   Chris O'Malley, CEO and President of Compuware

Streams:
Executive, Large System, Networks, Enterprise Security, CICS, IMS, DB2, Linux on z, Storage Management, MQ, TWS, Automation and Monitoring, Application Development, 101, zCMPA, New Technologies

Plenary: Hackathon 101
Speakers: John Rattray and Richard Gamblin

Drinks and Conference Dinner

Day 2

Early Bird Session: "Birds of a Feather"
Speaker: Ray Jones, IBM VP Software Sales

Steams:
Large System, Networks, Enterprise Security, CICS, IMS, DB2, Linux on z, Storage Management, MQ, TWS, Automation and Monitoring, Application Development, 101, zCMPA, Mainframe Skills and Learning

Exhibitors

IBM	RSM Partners
L3C	Red Hat
Verhoef Training Ltd	Syncsort Inc
Compuware	Flynet Limited
Metron	Interchip AG
Vanguard Integrity Professionals Ltd	Rocket Software
Trident Services	Unisoft SMA (UK) Ltd.
Interskill Learning	SMT
Datakinetics	ASG
Action Software GmbH	Velocity Software GmbH
Blenheim Software & Inspired Solutions	ColeSoft
Fujitsu	Innovation
Fitz Software	Macro4
CA Technologies	Optica
BMC Software	Black Hill Software
EMC	Beta Systems Software AG
Bluechip	Oracle

GSE UK Member Conference Benefits

GSE UK Member organisations get 5 free places to attend the conference. This covers registration, attending the sessions throughout the two days of the conference, entry to the vendor exhibition, the conference dinner and pre-dinner drinks on Tuesday evening and lunch and refreshment breaks on both days.

For those new to the mainframe either as an apprentice or trainee each member company can request an additional free place. There are also an additional 30 trainee free places for GSE UK Members on a first come, first served basis. If you would like one, or more, of these places please contact ukconference@gse.org.uk.

Conference Fees

The basic conference fees for 2017 remain at the 2016 rate inclusive of VAT and are as follows:-

Delegates from GSE member companies (see below)	£120 per day
Delegates from other non-member companies	£192 per day

There is a £24 discount (inc. VAT) to this rate for registrations made during the early bird period (up to and including October 9th) and there will be a £24 admin surcharge (inc. VAT) for late registrations made after the Friday before the conference (November 3rd).

Each UK GSE member company is entitled to send up to 5 delegates and one or more bone-fide trainees FREE OF CHARGE provided they register during the early bird period. Additional delegates will be charged at the prevailing member rate.
Voucher codes are issued to each member company for this purpose.

After the end of the early bird period vouchers may still be used up to one week prior to the conference (Monday October 30th) however they will be charged at HALF the relevant rate, i.e. £60 per day inc. VAT for members and £96 per day inc. VAT for non-members.

Conference Registration

http://conferences.gse.org.uk/register

Fees in summary

The following table shows the fees per day including VAT at 20% for each category of delegate and date range

Delegates from;-	Prior to 10/10/17	From 10/10/17 to 30/10/17	From 31/10/17 to 3/11/17	After 3/11/17
UK GSE Members (up to 5 plus 1 trainee) or others with vouchers	Free	£60 (members) £96 (non members)	£120	£144
UK GSE Members (additional) and non-UK GSE members	£96	£120	£120	£144
Non Members	£168	£192	£192	£216

Additional vouchers: The UK Conference Package

The GSE UK Conference Package enables companies, be they members or non-members of GSE, to purchase discounted "bulk" attendance to the annual UK Conference.

- The Conference Package is available to any company, be they member or non-member, and offers benefits in addition to any benefits they obtain through being GSE members or conference sponsors/exhibitors.

- The Conference Package offers three voucher codes, each of which can be used to register at no charge for the two days of the conference during the early bird period and at a discounted rate thereafter (up to a week before the conference).

- Voucher codes have no monetary value and unused voucher codes cannot be reimbursed or exchanged (but may be offered free of charge to a client or customer).

- For non-members the Package also allows additional conference registrations at the members' rate plus the ability to attend other UK working group meetings during the period of validity.

- The Conference Package can only be purchased during the early bird period and is valid for the UK conference in the year in which it is purchased and for working group meetings during the following 12 months.

- The cost of the Conference Package is £450 plus VAT (£540). Existing GSE UK members will receive a 20% discount on this, namely £360 plus VAT (£432).

- Companies are able to purchase multiple Conference Packages should they so wish.

- Requests to purchase the UK Conference Package should be sent by e-mail to ukconference@gse.org.uk.

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