

**A Seminar organised by the Chartered Accountants Ireland
IT Committee and Relate Software.**

The Annual Chartered Accountants Technology Seminar for Practitioners 2012

Dublin – Wednesday 11th January 2012,
Chartered Accountants House, 47-49 Pearse Street, Dublin 2

Cork – Thursday 12th January 2012,
Clarion Hotel, Lapps Quay, Cork

The seminar is FREE OF CHARGE to practitioners

CPD: 3 HOURS



Overview

Every year the Chartered Accountants IT Services Committee and Relate Software present a seminar covering the latest IT topics to practitioners. This year's event includes updates from some of IT's biggest companies as well as practical implementations by fellow professionals. The topics and speakers are identified below.

In addition to ensuring the smooth running of the seminar, the Chairman (all members of the Chartered Accountants IT Committee) will outline some of the latest IT developments to affect practices.



Making Excellence a Prevailing Condition

Gordon Gilchrist, Global Leading Consultant to Accountancy Firms, Director 2020 Group

Gordon will outline how to build excellence into the way your practice carries out its activities. He will share just some of the ideas he has accumulated from working with 3 of the top 4 practices, 75% of the top 20 and over 2000 independent firms.



Microsoft

Tim Hynes, Senior Director, Microsoft Worldwide

Microsoft is constantly innovating and introducing new technologies. Tim will bring members up to date with Microsoft's view of how technology will develop in the next five years. Outlining the New World of Work and what it can mean for costs and allowing companies to access talent and customers across a wider base.



Social Media For Accountants

Helen Cousins FCA, Xcel Business Solutions

Helen will explain how accountants can successfully use social media. She will advise on the etiquette, pitfalls and business benefits, and the best forums for accountants. Helen will also give some tips on managing your office from your smart phone.



Top 10 Technology Considerations in 2012

The Seminar Chairman, a member of the Chartered Accountants IT Committee, will review the top ten issues for practitioners for 2012 as identified by the Committee, including video-conferencing and further hosting of services.



Painless Transition to the Cloud

Eddie O'Rourke, Sales Director, Novosco

Hosting your practice IT infrastructure and all your software is rapidly becoming affordable for firms of all sizes. The move to a hosted solution is gaining momentum and with the greater uptake comes reduction in prices. Eddie will outline the experience of a firm they moved over from a traditional server to a hosted infrastructure.



Will you be ready for mandatory XBRL accounts

Ray Rogers CEO, Relate Software

Mandatory electronic filing of accounts through iXBRL in the UK is now place for over six months and the Irish Revenue is looking closely at how things are progressing. Ray will outline how the process has gone in the UK as well as outline the options accountants need to consider once the regime of filing is introduced here.



Home & Office Gadgets

Brendan Egan, Quasar Technology Limited

Gadget Man, Brendan will introduce some new and innovative gadgets which bring some fun to the office or home. Brendan will show you how to make use of handheld document scanners, power packs, on the go radios and miniature cameras.

Technology Update

PROGRAMME

8.30 – 9.00am	Registration
9.00 – 9.10am	Welcome and Introductions
9.10 – 9.30am	Making Excellence a Prevailing Condition
9:30 – 10.10am	New Technologies
10.10 – 10.30am	Social Media for Accountants
10.30 – 11.00am	Refreshment Break
11.00 – 11.20am	Top 10 Technology Considerations For 2012
11.20 – 11.40am	Hosting is a Virtualisation
11.40 – 11.55am	Will you be ready for Mandatory XBRL Accounts?
11.55 – 12.10am	Home & Office Gadgets
12.10 – 12.30pm	Questions & Answers

Programme is subject to change. Please book early as places are limited.

Please note that a further seminar, tailored to the N. Ireland audience, will be held in Belfast in February 2012.

Seminar Registration

To register email: members.services@charteredaccountants.ie with subject line IT Seminar, indicating...

- a) Name of delegate
- b) Firm name
- c) Email address
- d) Mobile phone number
- e) Date and Venue of event

Your booking will be acknowledged within three working days. If you do not receive an acknowledgement, please phone 01-637 7222.

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