

## Tuesday, September 26, 2017

7:45 am - 4:30 pm

**Registration Open**

7:45 am - 8:30 am

**Breakfast and Conversation**

8:30 am - 8:45 am

**IT Roadmap: Overview and Opening Remarks**

Derek Hultitzky, VP, Content Development and Strategy, IDG Enterprise Events

8:45 am - 9:15 am

**Creating a Global Strategy for Digital Transformation**

Heather Miller, VP Global Technology, InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG®)

9:15 am - 9:45 am

**Time for Internet 3.0: Networking Only Provable Cryptographic Identities**

Matt Close, VP, Sales, Tempered Networks

9:45 am - 10:15 am

**The Future of Communication**

Amanda Johnson, Regional VP, Vonage

10:15 am - 10:30 am

**Morning Networking Break**

10:30 am - 12:10 pm

**Morning Breakout Sessions**

10:30 am - 11:00 am

**Reimagining Your Network and Infrastructure for the Cloud-Powered Enterprise**

Robin Gareiss, President, Nemertes Research

**Achieving World Class Information Security**

John Burke, CIO and Principal Research Analyst, Nemertes Research

**From Data to Decisions: The Path to an AI-Driven Smart Service**

Holger Mueller, Vice President and Principal Analyst, Constellation Research

**IT Agility that Leverages DevOps is Key to Digital Transformation**

Zeus Kerravala, Founder & Principal Analyst, ZK Research

11:05 am - 11:35 am

**Transforming Your Data Center Network to be Cloud-Ready**

Steve Shalita, VP of Marketing, Pluribus Networks

**SD-WAN Use Cases and Technology**

Donna Johnson, Director of Product Marketing, Citrix Systems, Inc.

**Modernizing Infrastructure with Software Defined Approaches**

Gerard Svartz, Sr. Solution Marketing Manager, Dell EMC

11:40 am - 12:10 pm

**Digital Transformation Organizational Guidelines and Technology Primer**

Robin Gareiss, President, Nemertes Research

**Emerging Technologies to Watch in the Year Ahead**

John Burke, CIO and Principal Research Analyst, Nemertes Research

**Reshaping the Business Landscape through Strategic Transformations**

Tyler Bennett, VP, Information Technology, Aflac

**The Journey to More Agile IT**

Dean Johnson, COO, Georgia Technology Authority

12:15 pm - 12:45 pm

**IT Roadmap Panel of Industry Experts**

Matt Cauthorn, VP, Security & Network Analytics, ExtraHop Networks  
Eric Feldman, Senior Product Marketing Manager, Flexera  
Ferrol Macon, VP, Architecture and Product Strategy, VeriStor  
Gene Perry, VP Services & Support, Zerto

12:45 pm - 2:00 pm

**Lunch & Expo (Lunch served until 2:00pm; Expo open until 4:30pm)**

1:15 pm - 1:45 pm

**Expo Hall Theater**

Donna Johnson, Director of Product Marketing , Citrix Systems, Inc.

Gerard Svartz, Sr. Solution Marketing Manager, Dell EMC

Linda Arnold, Southeastern Regional Government Business Development, Extreme Networks

2:00 pm - 3:10 pm

**Afternoon Breakout Sessions**

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

**Evolving the WAN for Business Agility and Profitability**

Taka Yamada, Regional Director,  
Silver Peak Systems

**Why You Need to Know About Composable Infrastructure**

Jonathon Makela, Principal  
Solutions Architect , Cloudistics

2:40 pm - 3:10 pm

**Infrastructure as Code**

Gray Salladay, Solutions Architect,  
VeriStor

**IT Infrastructure Trends: From On-Prem to the Enterprise Cloud**

Todd Mace, Sr. Systems Engineer  
– Southeast , Nutanix

3:20 pm - 3:50 pm

**Finding New Ways to Address the Digital Transformation Talent Gap**

Walt Carter, CIO and CMO, Primary Capital Mortgage

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

**Reception and Passport Prize Drawings in Expo**

4:30 pm

**Event Concludes**