



CIPS

THE CANADIAN INFORMATION PROCESSING SOCIETY

CANADA'S ASSOCIATION FOR IT PROFESSIONALS

"The professional association providing leadership in information systems and technologies."





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About CIPS: Vision

*“The professional association
providing leadership in
information systems and
technologies”*

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About CIPS: Mission

“CIPS provides leadership in information systems and technologies by developing and promoting quality standards and practices, research, certification, and professional development while safeguarding the public interest.”

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About CIPS: Goals

- To maintain progressive competency and ethical standards for Information Systems Professional I.S.P. certification.
- To provide timely, relevant and quality knowledge, information and services to support and enhance the role of the IT professional.

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Goals ...cont'd

- To promote the protection of the public interest where information systems and technologies are used and to speak out against abuses in these areas.





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CIPS Fast Facts

- Formed in 1958
- National organization
- International ties
- 30 Locations
- People not companies
- Professional certification

8200 members





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Who Are CIPS Members?

37% Management	19% Students
22% Programmers & Analysts	3% Educators
11% Consultants	9% Other

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CIPS Across Canada



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Roles & Responsibilities: National

- Policy approval
- Public relations
- Planning
- Legal compliance
- National Events
- International Relations
- Position Papers
- Accreditation
- Services to provincial bodies





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Roles and Responsibilities

- **Provincial**
- I.S.P.
- Provincial Legislative Relations
- Certification
- **Sections**
- Community Involvement
- Local Events
- Scholarships
- Mentoring





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Key Messages

- CIPS is the largest association of IT professionals in Canada
- CIPS is the voice and champion of the Canadian IT profession
- CIPS offers the only professional certification for IT professionals in Canada

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I.S.P. Certification: Means

- Protection of the public
- Professional credibility
- Personal integrity and competence
- Enhanced customer confidence
- Enhanced professional profile





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Accreditation: Objectives

- Promote computer science & IS education
- Encourage high standards
- Foster cooperation
- Provide a certification foundation





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Membership: Benefits

- Networking opportunities
- Professional growth & certification
- Right to practice
- Special interest groups
- Cost-saving programs & discounts
- Reciprocal memberships

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Informatics

- 2003: Charlottetown, May 4-7

*Connected Organizations:
Working Here, There and
Anywhere...!*





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Web Address

For more information on CIPS
and our programs please visit

www.cips.ca

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Re-certification

- Re-certify every year
- I.S.P. holder responsible for re-certification
- Over 3 years must obtain:
 - 300 education credits
 - 3000 hours of IS professional level activities





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Accreditation: Benefits

Educational Institutions
External review
Internal development

Attracts students
Raises quality of
education

Students
Standards
Confidence in programs

Professional
membership
Route to I.S.P





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CIPS Activities

- Certification, re-certification
- Accreditation
- Code of Ethics
- Registrar
- Discipline
- Body of Knowledge/Testing
- Training/Education
- Awards
- Scholarships
- Community Involvement
- Members of SHRC, ICCP, IFIP, and SEARCC
- International representation
- Social Networking Events
- Position Paper/Legislation review
- Public Advocacy (Women in IT, ICDL, Privacy)
- Informatics
- Media experts
- Member benefits
- Newsletters
- Career Fairs
- Protect right to practice
- Raising sponsorship
- Development of best practices
- Development of curriculum
- Marketing of CIPS/I.S.P.
- Lobbying (SHRC)
- Mentorship

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