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Panel Session 2
Web Services – A View from the Top

Panel Moderators:
- Frank E. Ferrante (Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of IEEE IT Professional Magazine)
- A.W. (Jay) Bragg (Editor-in-Chief of IEEE IT Professional Magazine)

Panelists (Alphabetical Order):
- Karen Evans (Administrator, Office of Electronic Government and Information Technology, Office of Management and Budget.)
- Gil Miller (Corporate Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Mitretek Systems.)
- Henry Schaffer (Professor Emeritus of Genetics and Biomathematics and Coordinator of Special IT Projects and Faculty Collaboration, North Carolina State University.)
- George Strawn (Chief Information Officer, National Science Foundation.)
- Linda Wilbanks (Chief Information Officer, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), US Department of Energy.)

Panel Theme:
A panel of distinguished information technology executives describes how Web services, services computing, service-oriented architectures, and services-centric models are changing their organizations. The panelists are members of IT Professional Magazine’s Advisory and Editorial Boards, and hold (or have held) C-level positions in government, industry, and academia.

Biographies:
Moderator:
Frank Ferrante – Editor-in-Chief Emeritus of IT Professional Magazine, a peer-reviewed publication of the IEEE Computer Society. Mr. Ferrante is an Associate Faculty Member in Johns Hopkins University’s School of Professional Studies in Business and Education, an Executive Partner in The College of William and Mary’s Business School, and President of FEF Group LLC. He has over 40 years of telecommunications engineering experience with firms such as Northrop, MITRE, and Mitretek Systems.

Panelists:
Karen Evans – Administrator, Office of Electronic Government and Information Technology, Office of Management and Budget. Ms. Evans oversees the implementation of IT throughout the Federal government including advising the Director on the performance of IT investments, overseeing the development of enterprise architectures within and across agencies, directing the activities of the Chief Information Officer Council, and overseeing the usage of the E-Government Fund to support interagency partnerships and innovation.

Gil Miller – Corporate Vice President and Chief Technology Officer, Mitretek Systems. Dr. Miller is responsible for the overall quality of Mitretek’s technology base, including the internal research and development program, technology aspects of the client work program, and technology capabilities of the staff.

Henry Schaffer – Professor Emeritus of Genetics and Biomathematics and Coordinator of Special IT Projects and Faculty Collaboration, North Carolina State University. Dr. Schaffer was a co-PI of the first regional NSFnet
network (the immediate precursor to today’s Internet), and served as Associate Vice President of the University of North Carolina General Administration, where he focused on computing, networking and IT for the 16-campus system.

George Strawn – Chief Information Officer, National Science Foundation. Dr. Strawn guides the NSF in the development and design of innovative information technology, working to enable NSF staff and an international community of scientists, engineers and educators to improve business practices and pursue new methods of scientific communication, collaboration and decision-making.

Linda Wilbanks – Chief Information Officer, the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), US Department of Energy. Dr. Wilbanks and her team support a number of initiatives in support of secure, efficient, and customer-focused IT services, including E-government, integrated information management and information technology strategic planning, and the NNSA’s cyber security program.