

IEEE Kitchener-Waterloo Section Presentation

Business Continuity Planning for Information Technology
A mandatory requirement, no longer an option

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With the continued and increasing penetration of globalization, e-Commerce and Web applications into every aspect of enterprises both large and small, the importance of on-going operations of IT infrastructure has never been higher.

This seminar will describe the recent evolution of business continuity planning, will quantify the potential threats to IT infrastructures, will outline recent developments in standards and guidelines to deal with operational risks and will describe new Regional assets that can mitigate the effects of threats and potential risks to businesses in the Waterloo Region.

DATE: **Wednesday, April 16, 2003**

TIME: **6:30pm**

PLACE: **University of Waterloo, Davis Centre, Room 1302**

Speaker Biography:

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For the past 35 years – actively engaged in the telecommunications industry in Canada and overseas - Bell Canada, CNCP, Nortel, Ontario Government, Sprint Canada, and over the past 10 years, in private practice. In 2002, he proposed and executed the concept and the service plan for the Waterloo Data Fortress developed by Conestoga Rovers & Assoc.

He is a licensed Professional Engineer in Ontario with a Certificate for Private Practice, a Senior Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the Founding President and Director of the IEEE Canadian Foundation, and recently donated his 119th whole blood donation.

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Manager of Sales & Marketing for FibreTech Telecommunications and was part of the team that developed the business plan for this 600 + km fibre-optic Metropolitan Area Network serving the Region of Waterloo.