

# IEEE Computer Society and International Institute of Business Analysis Sign Memorandum of Understanding for Global Partnership Program

**LOS ALAMITOS, Calif., 09 August 2017** - IEEE Computer Society (IEEE-CS) and International Institute of Business Analysis™ (IIBA®) announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the Global Partner Program (GPP). The MoU is set to encourage the exchange and dissemination of technical information, to improve communications and outreach to both industry and academic institutions, and to promote understanding and cooperation between the members of IIBA and IEEE-CS.

The IIBA and IEEE-CS express their mutual interest in the following specific efforts:

- promote/support respective organization in the conferences;
- global reach - introduction to local chapters, membership, and clients;
- mutually provide membership discounts and other benefits;
- support respective efforts on Body of Knowledge-related activities; and
- promote respective training and certification initiatives.

Among its activities, IEEE-CS is engaged in providing professional education, training, assessment, evaluation, and certifications for computer professionals. IIBA, a non-profit professional association dedicated to the field of business analysis, works to maintain the global standard for the practices and certifications.

IEEE-CS and IIBA agree to collaborate in the professional education arena including courseware, certifications, bodies of knowledge, publications, and conferences/events, as mutually beneficial.

"IEEE-CS is very pleased to team up with IIBA," said Andy Chen, IEEE-CS Vice President of Professional and Educational Activities. "IEEE-CS and IIBA will collaborate in several initiatives benefiting members of both organization. One example is the proposed Cyber Security Business Analyst Certification. With the increasing level of cybersecurity risks and vulnerabilities for every organization, it is essential for every business analyst to acquire expertise in cybersecurity to address these ubiquitous potential project security risks. Part of our collaborative work with IIBA will focus on providing business analysts with the knowledge and analytical skill required to address business security needs."

Ken Fulmer, President and CEO of IIBA, said, "IIBA looks forward to the exchange of ideas and mutual benefits this new partnership will bring members of both organizations. Under the agreement, IIBA and IEEE-CS will promote professional development and certification programs to our members. In return, IIBA will contribute to the IEEE-CS our expertise in business analysis, and look to integrate our knowledge products to better serve both communities. IEEE-CS is a world-renowned organization, highly respected for computer science and information technology. We are proud to have such a distinguished partner, and a partner that shares our values. We believe our membership and the members of IEEE-CS will find significant value in this relationship as we leverage each other's strengths and a future vision. This MoU reconfirms our commitment to collaboratively explore opportunities to drive the industry forward."

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