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## Podcast Interview with Jeff Kempiners, Chief Technology Officer of Avanade Canada Inc.

This is the next blog in the **continuing series** of interviews with leading professionals. In this blog, I interview **Jeff Kempiners**. Jeff provides great value and practical insights for businesses and managers. His understanding of key issues and his ability to explain prompted a request for a podcast series. So you will hear more from Jeff several times this year.

Take the time to listen to the podcast--it's well worth your time!

Best regards,  
Stephen Ibaraki, **FCIPS, I.S.P., MVP**

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### About Jeff Kempiners



Mr. Jeff Kempiners, as Chief Technology Officer, leads the strategic direction and growth of Avanade Canada solutions. Avanade has more than 7,200 professionals in 22 countries, including more than 230 in its Canadian business, which has offices in Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Ottawa and Montreal. In fiscal year 2006, the company grew its business by 25%.

**A seasoned leader, Mr. Kempiners has more than 12 years of experience in IT management and consulting.** Mr. Kempiners joined Avanade in August, 2000 as a Solution Architect in the US-Central region. Most recently, he served as Avanade Canada Capability Director for

Infrastructure and Application Solutions, overseeing the deployment of Avanade's infrastructure and application development solutions and working closely with Avanade customers. Prior to joining Avanade, Mr. Kempiners was employed with Accenture in a variety of roles, including System Analyst, Project Manager, and Engagement Manager for large customer accounts in all industries.

Over the past five years, Avanade Canada has worked with several enterprises to help them meet their business objectives, including First Canadian Title, PCL Construction, and Future Electronics.

**Posted:** Tuesday, November 06, 2007 8:00 AM by **cdnitmgr**

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Jan said:

Good information...have you considered an internet radio show

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Lynn said:

The connection of social networking to digital collaboration. With Gen Y must come a new generation of "rules" (ie. in marketing, collaboration, communication, etc.) both within and outside an organization.

# November 6, 2007 4:54 PM

Stephen Ibaraki, FCIPS, ISP, sibaraki@cips.ca said:

Hi Jan,

That's an idea worth looking at deeper and perhaps linked to this blog. Ruth, your thoughts?

Thank you,

Stephen

# November 8, 2007 2:33 PM

Stephen Ibaraki, FCIPS, ISP, sibaraki@cips.ca said:

Hi Lynn,

I don't get the sense that companies are planning for Gen Y effectively and their natural familiarity with technology. They have a richer experience outside the company then internally. This has to a priority on the technology roadmap of managers where agility is key to success. Thank you for your comments.

Best regards,

Stephen

# November 8, 2007 2:37 PM

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