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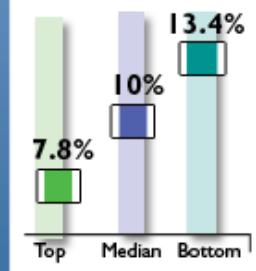
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Top Story

- **New Routes:** CIPS recently announced the revamping of the I.S.P. designation. The designation is now available to academics, IT leaders and experienced IT professionals, three groups of IT workers that were not eligible for the designation previously.
- **New Board:** CIPS is proud to announce its National Board of Directors for 2006/2007.
- **International:** CIPS recently accredited a college program in the Middle East, a first international accreditation for the organization.
- **Awards:** CIPS announced this year's Awards of Achievement recipients and congratulated its first, CIPS Fellow Members at a special ceremony in Victoria.
- **New I.S.P. Holders:** CIPS would like to congratulate the latest recipients of the Information Systems Professional of Canada designation.
- **Governance:** Technology management – at the IT, executive and even Board level – has not kept up with the evolution, sophistication and maturity of technology itself according to Edmonton's IT leaders.
- **Best Practices:** An Integrated Registration Plan helped the Ontario Ministry of Transportation save approximately 1 million annually and improve its internal organizational effectiveness.
- **Interviews by Stephen Ibaraki, I.S.P.:** Read the thoughts of international experts:
 - o **Mervyn Adrian**, Senior Vice-President, Forrester Research; and
 - o **Nestor J. Portillo**, Regional Manager, Americas Region MVP Worldwide, Microsoft Corporation.

Total IT Budget as % of Annual Revenue




Quartile	Percentage
Top	7.8%
Median	10%
Bottom	13.4%

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Ontario Association of School Board Officials
In a collaborative agreement last fall with CIPS, the Information Technology Committee of the Ontario Association of School Board Officials (OASBO-IT) is promoting CIPS membership and the Information Systems Professional (I.S.P.) designation to its public sector IT employees in Ontario. OASBO-IT is planning to execute promotional efforts through its committee and through the creation of a professional development program to be offered at Guelph University. CIPS will have a leadership role in the development of the curriculum for this program, which is directed to public sector employees.

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