## Partner Summit 2009

# Agenda

### Wednesday 12 August 2009

10.00am Phillip Beniac Director of AP & Japan, IBM Cognos BI & PM	Welcome
10.10am – 10.45am  Patrick Spedding  Manager Product  Marketing	IBM Cognos Express product overview  IBM Cognos Express is the only solution to provide the essential BI and Planning capabilities enabling midsize companies to start small but think big. Partners are integral to the success of this offering and we will discuss what it means for you in the mid-market space.
10.45am – 11.15am Farhana Alarakhiya IBM Software Group, Information Management Analytic Applications	Analytic Applications – Unlocking the Hidden Gem, Packaged BI  Looking for ways to grow your business? Today's increasing demand for packaged Analytic Applications presents a new opportunity for ISVs, VARs and Service Providers to expand their business through these higher-value offerings. This session will introduce you to an exciting new approach to growing revenue through the IBM Cognos Analytic Applications and our unique market changing Framework. You will learn how to develop your Analytic Applications business and the path to deliver your own packaged repeatable solutions to the market. Join us to hear how Partners are taking advantage of this opportunity today and what it can mean for you!
11.15 – 12.00 noon  Ed Gromann  Global FPM Solutions  Executive IBM+D14  Software Group	IBM Cognos Financial Performance Management – Strategy, Positioning & Roadmap  Finance is wielding more power in companies today in the face of harsh economic realities. In this session, you'll learn about the strategy and innovation driving our opportunities in the Office of Finance in 2009. Partners are integral to our plans for growth in this arena. We will share our statement of direction, roadmap and the link with IBM's Information on Demand agenda. You'll take away tips on how to articulate our strategy for financial performance management to customers and embrace their goals in driving business performance in Turbulent Times.
12.00 noon – 1.00pm Mark Jeffries Communications Consultant	Partner Summit Luncheon and The Golden Rules of Networking

#### Sales Breakout

#### 1.00pm – 1.30pm David Merchant Sales Manager, IBM Cognos

### How to Sell the Information Agenda to Win New Business

The lack of trusted information – that is accurate, timely, and relevant – is on the minds of CEOs and business managers everywhere. The cost and complexity of managing increasing volumes of data and content, combined with the need to provide trusted information to every user for every transaction, is driving CIOs to rethink their approach to information delivery. CIOs now have access to a new strategy for turning trusted information from a vision into a reality: the Information Agenda. Learn how to position the Information Agenda for increased profitable sales of Information On Demand solutions.

#### 1.30pm – 2.00pm Sanjay Gupta AP Channels & Alliances

### Ideas for Selling in a Challenging Economy

In this session, salespeople will learn how selling in a challenging economy changes the emphasis of the sales campaign. Participants will learn some ideas and high yield statements to use to articulate how IBM Cognos solutions address the prospect's risk better than offerings from other, less stable, vendors. Sellers will be able to conduct a meaningful business conversation about solving performance management challenges safely and reducing overall risk by working with IBM today.

#### **Technical Breakout**

#### 1.00pm – 2.00pm Mac Bryla Senior IT Specialist, IBM Cognos

### **Build POCs and Demos for IBM Cognos Solutions**

Finding the right performance management solution for your customers is one step, the product demonstration is the next. It takes talent and know-how to present not only the features of the technology but also the overall benefits of the IBM Cognos business intelligence platform. This session covers the best practices for demonstration, proven by our most successful sales partners. Learn valuable tips to incorporate into your demos that will give you the best chance of selling IBM Cognos software and services.