

Announcing The Ventana Research Summit for 2014

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SAN RAMON, CA, July 10, 2014 /**24-7PressRelease**/ -- Ventana Research announced today that Summit 2014 will be held from October 20th to 23rd, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport.

The Ventana Research Summit is the highly regarded annual forum at which business and technology professionals gather to learn and share insights about industry best practices and how emerging technology innovations can improve business performance. The Summit, the theme for which this year is "Inspire to Innovate," will bring together the brightest business and IT minds to explore how best practices and technology innovation can transform organizations.

The Summit will include Innovation Day, during which sessions and panels led by the most respected industry analysts will offer valuable insights on the technologies that are changing the nature of business and competitiveness. It also will include Leadership Day, during which experts will offer research-based analyses of the technology best practices that research shows are being embraced by business and IT pioneers. During the Summit Ventana Research also will recognize the recipients of the 2014 Ventana Research Leadership and Innovation Awards - industry leaders who represent the finest in business and technology excellence and accomplishments.

The Summit, hosted by the leading business and technology research and advisory services firm, enables Industry experts working in business, IT and technology to share real-world success stories about meeting today's competitive business climate head-on. Summit attendees will come away with unique insights that will enable them to begin to implement changes that will have lasting impacts on their businesses. Critical business process and technology topics will include big data, business analytics, cloud computing, cognitive computing, ERP, machine learning, mobile technologies, social collaboration and wearable computing.

"Innovative technologies and best practices are only valuable when inspired business and IT leaders apply them expeditiously," said Mark Smith, CEO and chief research officer at Ventana Research. "After 12 years of conducting research on business and IT and advising cutting-edge businesses, we at Ventana Research understand how to identify and apply technology to business in the most effective manner possible."

"The Ventana Research Summit for 2014 will provide business and technology executives with the opportunity not just to learn but to take away guidance and new connections with industry technology leaders, technology providers and our industry analysts. Unlike other industry event, the Summit provides an engaging forum to share best practices without technology diatribes and vendor hype and an opportunity to gain a sense of reality on what to do in 2014 and

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beyond. I'm also excited to personally meet and present our 2014 Ventana Research Awards recipients who are showing how organizations can operate and be successful with innovative technology."

The Summit is the only industry analyst conference that uses fact-based benchmark research drawn from business and IT to provide guidance on how to gain maximum value from technology investments.

Registration for the 2014 Ventana Research Summit is now open. Until Aug. 22, 2014 registrants will be able to take advantage of a reduced early registration fee and, if staying at the Summit's Host hotel, will receive a additional discount.

For more information on the Summit, including sponsorship opportunities and registration, visit: www.ventanaresearch-summit2014.com

. The Summit sponsors include those at Vanguard level who are: Ceridian and Datawatch; with Groundbreaker level who are: Kronos, Peoplefluent and Stibo Systems.

For more information on the 2014 Ventana Research Awards, visit www.ventanaresearch.com/awards where submission are being accepted through July of 2014.

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Press and Media: Complimentary passes to the summit and interviews are available upon request.

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