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A Festival of Fun and Fresh Perspectives

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Georgia GMIS 2024 Spring Conference
May 5-9, 2024
The Classic Center

It gives me great pleasure to share about the upcoming GA GMIS Spring Conference to be held in Athens, Georgia from May 5th to 9th, 2024.

The theme for this year's conference is "Ideapalooza: A Festival of Fun and Fresh Perspectives." Can we innovate? Can we continue to encourage improvement within our organizations? We will attempt to make a carnival of ideas and innovation for the coming conference and want you to join in the festival.

We are thrilled to announce that this year's Geek Trak will be presented by Gates Marshall from "Before the Breach". Gates will be presenting a hands-on learning experience focused on implementing CIS best practices in a Windows environment using free and low-cost tools and techniques. Students will learn how to perform operational and architectural security controls from the CIS catalog, including labs so you don't want to miss it.

I urge everyone to mark their calendars for these important dates and plan to attend the conference. Not only will it equip you with valuable insights and expertise, but it will also allow you to build lasting connections with fellow IT professionals from various local government agencies across the state.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to Georgia GMIS. Together, we can make the "GA GMIS Spring Conference 2024" a resounding success and contribute to the advancement of IT management in local government agencies in Georgia.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Athens!

Warm regards,

Jonathan Reich

President, Georgia GMIS

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Each day of the conference will provide insight into aspects of the latest trends in information technology, brought to you by experts in the field. Most importantly, you will exchange knowledge and ideas about what works and what doesn't work with your IT peers who represent shops of all sizes from nearly every region of the state.

The schedule for the GA GMIS Spring Conference May 5-9:

Sunday, May 5
- Half-day Session – **Cert Trak: Lean Six Sigma Leadership: Green Belt** and **Geek Trak: CIS Controls** 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM
  [*Please note Cert Trak registration is <u>capped at 24 participants</u>.*]

Monday, May 6 *Professional Business Casual Attire (No jeans)*
LGCIO Leadership Education Sessions – Fun and Fresh Perspectives of HR in the IT World; Fun and Fresh Perspectives: A Panel of Your Peers
- General Session – Welcome 8:30 AM – 8:40 AM
- Full-day Sessions – LGCIO, Cert Trak and Geek Trak 8:45 AM – 12 Noon, and 1:00 PM – 4:15 PM
- The Good, The Bad and The Ugly Session 4:15 PM – 5:45 PM

Tuesday, May 7 *Professional Business Casual Attire (No jeans)*
LGCIO Technical Education Sessions – Sophos Interactive Threat Hunt; GMA's Cybersecurity Messaging and Resources; Security Best Practices & Practical Applications, Bridging the GIS / IT Gap
- General Session – Announcements 8:30 AM – 8:40 AM
- Full-day Sessions – LGCIO, Geek Trak and Cert Trak 8:45 AM – 12 Noon, and 1:00 PM – 4:45 PM
- Dinner Banquet & GA GMIS Awards *Professional Business Attire*

Wednesday, May 8
Enrichment Sessions – The Technology Fallacy: How People Are the Real Key to Digital Transformation; 2FA Roundtable Discussion
- Half-day Session – Cert Trak 8:45 AM – 11:30 AM
- Half-day Session – Geek Trak 8:45 AM – 11:30 AM
- Half-day session – Enrichment 8:45 AM – 11:30 AM
- Sponsor Giveaways 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM
- Shirtsleeve Session – On Your Own 12:30 PM – 5:00 PM

Thursday, May 9
- Annual Business Meeting 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION
Early Bird Conference Fee Will Run From March 11 - April 7, 2024
LGCIO Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$400.00**
Cert Trak Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$500.00**
Geek Trak Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$500.00**

Regular Conference Fee Will Run From April 8 - April 26, 2024
LGCIO Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$500.00**
Cert Trak Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$600.00**
Geek Trak Conference Registration Fee (Includes One Banquet Ticket)……………………………………………………**$600.00**
Tuesday Banquet Guest………………………………………………………………………………………………………**$65.00***

*Anyone bringing a guest or spouse must request and pay for a banquet ticket prior to their arrival at the conference.

To Register online and pay by credit card (preferred):

- [Click here to register online](#)
- Step 1:
  - Create new user profile. ***When creating a new user profile you may receive a message that a user name already exists in the new system which was migrated from the old system. If you receive this message you will have an opportunity to request a new password.***
  - Important for creating a new user profile:
    - **Please DO NOT create a new user profile if you have previously attended CVIOG or other UGA Public Service and Outreach events.**
    - ****Please note GA GMIS will share participant names and contact information with all conference exhibitors.****
    - Each registered participant must have a unique email address. The same email address cannot be used for multiple registrants.
    - In the Address and Telephone section, be sure to select the correct 'Type' (e.g. 'Office') from the drop down selections.
    - In the Employment Information section, enter at minimum your Employer and Job Title.
    - Optionally enter demographic information.
    - Select your preferred Marketing Opt in and Privacy options, and click the boxes to indicate that you have read and understand the privacy policies.
- Step 2:
  - Once you are logged in, select 'Cert Trak', Geek Trak' or 'LGCIO'. You can preview the session schedule for each track by clicking 'Session selection information' under each option.
  - Let us know if you're a first-time attendee and fill in any specific accommodation requests.
  - Confirm cart and click 'Pay and Register'.
  - Enter credit card information.
  - Your conference sessions will be automatically selected based on the track you chose (either Geek Trak or LGCIO). ***Your sessions are not confirmed until after you have entered your credit card information.***

To Register by mail and pay by check:

Complete the attached fillable form, email a copy to tiffanysmith@uga.edu, print and mail a copy with the check payment to the address listed on the form.

After Registering:

You will receive several emails which will be directed to the email address you provided when registering/setting up your user profile. The sender name on the emails will be no-reply-outreach@uga.edu.

1. **(Applicable to new users only) New Account notification; password action required** *(Subject line: Vice President for Public Service and Outreach New Account)* - This email is being sent because you set up a new user account in the registration system. The email will include a link that you must click on in order to choose a password for future access. Please take immediate action upon receipt of this notice.
2. **Enrollment confirmation** *(Subject line: Carl Vinson Institute of Government Enrollment Notification for 'Your Name')* - This email provides verification that your enrollment has been received and processed.
3. **Confirmation** *(Subject line: Carl Vinson Institute of Government Confirmation)* - This email provides details of the course you enrolled in, including the cancellation policy.

Venue Information

The Classic Center
Foundry Street Building (pictured above, far right)
130 Foundry Street
Athens, GA 30601

VENUE PARKING

Please visit https://classiccenter.com/263/Parking for current parking rates and additional information. Please note, overnight guests are strongly encouraged to leave their vehicle parked at the hotel. All sessions will be held within a 0.2 (4 minute) walking distance from the hotel into the main Classic Center building. Should you choose to move your car from the hotel to the Classic Center, additional parking fees will apply.

Hotel Information

Hyatt Place Athens

412 N. Thomas Street
Athens, GA 30601
(706) 425-1800

When making your reservation, please mention you are with the
Georgia Government Management Information Sciences (Georgia GMIS) conference to get the
special rate of $159 (plus $5 state hotel/motel fee and applicable taxes) per night.

All reservations can be made by calling (706) 425-1800 or online at this link.
Be sure to reference the group code **G-MIS4**. If booking online you must enter a timeframe
within the dates of the block 5/4-5/9 to apply the group code.

Check-in: 3:00 PM
Check-out: 12:00 PM

A block of rooms will be held at the hotel until April 13, 2024, or until all rooms have been reserved,
whichever comes first. After this date, the hotel will make reservations at the prevailing room rate based
on availability.

HOTEL PARKING

Self-parking at Hyatt Place is $14 per night. Please note, overnight guests are strongly encouraged to
leave their vehicle parked at the hotel. All sessions will be held within a 0.2 (4 minute) walking distance
from the hotel into the main Classic Center building. Should you choose to
move your car from the hotel to the Classic Center, additional parking fees will apply (see previous page).

Please remember to bring your tax exempt forms!

Overflow Hotel Information

Holiday Inn Express Athens-University Area

513 W. Broad Street
Athens, GA 30601
(706) 546-8122

When making your reservation, please mention you are with the
Georgia Government Management Information Sciences (Georgia GMIS) conference to get the
special rate of $134 (plus $5 state hotel/motel fee and applicable taxes) per night.

All reservations can be made by calling 1-888-465-4329 or online at this link.
Be sure to reference the group code **GMI**. If booking online you must enter a timeframe
within the dates of the block 5/4-5/9 to apply the group code.

Check-in: 3:00 PM
Check-out: 11:00 AM

A block of rooms will be held at the hotel **until April 20, 2024, or until all rooms have been reserved**,
whichever comes first. After this date, the hotel will make reservations at the prevailing room rate based
on availability.

HOTEL PARKING

Self-parking at Holiday Inn Express is $7 per night. Self-parking at the Classic Center will incur additional
parking fees will apply (see page 5).

Please remember to bring your tax exempt forms!

Overflow Hotel Information

UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel

1197 S. Lumpkin Street
Athens, GA 30602
(706) 548-1311

When making your reservation, please mention you are with the
Georgia Government Management Information Sciences (Georgia GMIS) conference to get the
special rate of $139 (plus $5 state hotel/motel fee and applicable taxes) per night.

All reservations can be made by calling 706-548-1311 or online at this link.
Be sure to reference the group code **17809**. If booking online you must enter a timeframe
within the dates of the block 5/4-5/9 to apply the group code.

Check-in: 4:00 PM
Check-out: 11:00 AM

A block of rooms will be held at the hotel **until April 20, 2024, or until all rooms have been reserved**,
whichever comes first. After this date, the hotel will make reservations at the prevailing room rate based
on availability.

HOTEL PARKING

Self-parking at UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel is included in room rate. Self-parking at the
Classic Center will incur additional parking fees will apply (see page 5).

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