

## President's Message

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I want to start my first President's Message by thanking some people who are moving on to new positions.

Over the past two years, Scott Goldfarb has been a fabulous president, leading IFPUG through some tough times for business and the world with a strong, steady hand and level head. Scott will continue to serve on the Board as Past President for the next two years and continue to serve IFPUG on the Past Presidents' Council (PPC).

Mauricio Aguiar has been elected Vice President. Mauricio has made many valuable contributions to IFPUG during his term on the Board, particularly as Director of International and Affiliate Affairs and has already been making himself invaluable in his new position.

Martin D'Souza, the former Secretary and Director of Communications and Marketing, has taken over Mauricio's previous position as Director of International and Affiliate Affairs. Koni Thompson, formerly Director of Conference and Education, has assumed the position of Secretary and Director of Communications and Marketing.

Tom Cagley is the newest member elected to the Board and is now the Director of Conference and Education. Tom did a great job as Chair of the Conference Committee and has used the experience he gained, along with his creativity and high energy, to get off to a fast start as Director. Tom and his Committees are hard at work planning some exciting new things for both the 2004 Spring Workshops and Fall Conference and Workshops and are looking ahead to 2005.

Dave Garmus' term on the Board as Past President ended in November. Dave will continue to be active on the Past President Council and return to his seat on the Counting Practices Committee. He will be missed on the Board.

Scott and Dave will be working with Bill Hufschmidt, Frank Mazzucco, Carol Dekkers, and Gordy Lundquist on the Past Presidents' Council. For the past two years, the PPC has been meeting bimonthly to aid the Board by providing new ideas, using their connections, and offering the voice of experience.

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Recent Developments

After 5 years of hard work the ISO Standard version of IFPUG CPM 4.1 method, ISO/IEC 20926:2003(E), is now available for sale through the ISO Webstore. To read more about the Standard or for information about obtaining a copy visit our website at [www.IFPUG.org](http://www.IFPUG.org).

Congratulations go to our Korean Chapter, KFPUG, for coordinating a Korean translation of CPM 4.1.1. In accordance with IFPUG rules, KFPUG assembled two highly qualified, independent teams to translate the CPM and review the resulting translation. Each team involved Certified Function Point Specialists (CFPS), highly trained software engineering professors and representatives from the Korean software industry. This important translation expands the availability of IFPUG Function Points in Asia. The CPM is now available in English, Italian, Spanish, Japanese, French and Korean. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the Korean translation, [visit our website](#).

Many Certified Function Point Specialists are taking advantage of the Certification Extension Program and collecting credits to extend their certification. Your next opportunity to gain workshop credits will be in at the April Orlando Workshops. A task group comprised of Certification and Education Committee members and some Board members is currently working on making the ability to gain credits available at events outside of IFPUG events, through cooperation with training providers and other conferences. Read the bimonthly newsletter and check the website for updates.

For those who preferred to take the Certification Exam, recently held exams include:

- ❑ Rome Italy, June 2003
- ❑ India, July 2003
- ❑ Tokyo Japan, August 2003
- ❑ Mexico City Mexico, August 2003
- ❑ Scottsdale Arizona USA, September 2003
- ❑ Nashville Tennessee USA, November 2003
- ❑ The Netherlands, November 2003
- ❑ Germany, November 2003
- ❑ Sydney Australia, November 2003
- ❑ Brazil (5 different locations!), November 2003
- ❑ India, December 2003
- ❑ Rome Italy, January 2004
- ❑ Mexico, February 2004
- ❑ Chennai India, February 2004
- ❑ Korea, February 2004

At least 149 people received their certification through these exams (the results of the exams held in January and February are not yet available).

The Communications and Marketing Committee and their Director are working with the Board on an exciting new Communications plan. This initiative is geared to providing our members and Information Technology industry publications with more information about Function Points and software measurement. This comprehensive plan includes all IFPUG Committees as participants in the

development. When implemented, CMC will solicit articles from you, the membership, for publication in various industry publications.

With the start of a new year, the Board and Committee Chairs will update their Tactical Plans to make sure that we are meeting the needs of the members and assess our progress.

Be sure to read all the Committee articles in this issue of MetricViews to catch up on what's new, what the Committees are working on, and what you can look forward to in the future.

#### Upcoming Events

Make plans to attend the Workshops in Orlando April 18th through the 21st 2004. Visit our website to read about the new workshop offerings and sensational Florida location. [Sign up now for those workshops that will help you gain credits for your Certification Extension.](#)

You won't want to miss the 2004 Annual Conference and Workshops September 19th through the 24th 2004 in beautiful San Diego California. The Conference theme is "Measuring Software, Achieving Results." Since this is Function Points 25th year, the Conference Committee is working hard to make this event the best ever with new ideas, new energy, and some 25th Anniversary surprises. [See our website for more information.](#)

We hope to see everyone at these two events!

IFPUG is always looking for members to volunteer for Committees. If any of our activities fit your interests, or if you just want to make some new friends, fill out a [volunteer form on the website](#) and come join the fun!

See you all in Orlando and San Diego!