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Plenty of Opportunities to do your Research

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It's the Autumn/Fall (depending on which side of the Atlantic you reside). That means it's another busy conference season. It's action-packed and I am really looking forward to it.

I hope some of you reading this are also on the road to explore new technologies, hear inspiring customer stories and make new connections. If you are attending any of the below conferences, please stop-by to say hello. If not, it's not too late to register!

Exchanging technology in Orlando

We kick-off with the **Internet2 Technology Exchange, in Orlando, October 15-18**.

This conference brings together chief technologists, scientists, engineers, architects, operators and students in the Research and Education community, to discuss the direction of the industry, and to share best practices. I won't be attending but my colleagues will be sharing examples of how institutions such as WVSOM are using Oracle Cloud Infrastructure and Platform to more easily manage their IT estate and save costs, while keeping their data secure.

Innovating and shaping the future in San Francisco

Then it's the big one…**Oracle OpenWorld** takes place in **San Francisco**, **October 22-25**.

We have put together a really exciting mixed programme of Education and Research industry sessions and customer stories. Too often at conferences the 'Research' part of 'Education and Research' doesn't get enough air time. However the Research industry is a big focus for Oracle and this is reflected in some great sessions from some big-draw research institutions.

For example, you may have previously read this article about how the flexible use of massive cloud computing capacity is radically changing the pace of research and innovation at the I3 IoT consortium led by University of Southern California. Come and listen to this being explained in person, as well as many others including: CERN, Stanford University, University of Bristol and the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center:

- Accelerating IoT Research and Innovation with Smart Cloud Strategies [CAS6475]

- Oracle Cloud: Accelerating Science Today and Enabling the Makers of Tomorrow [CAS6639]

- Research Analytics at Scale: CERN's Experience with Oracle's Cloud Solutions [CAS1315]

- Boosting Complex IoT Analysis with Oracle Autonomous Data Warehouse Cloud [CAS2016]

- Implementing Driver-Based Rolling Forecasts at MD Anderson [CAS1324]

You will find details of these sessions and selected others in Focus On Education & Research. Personally, I am intrigued to find-out more about the ways technologies such as: Big Data, Internet-of-Things, Artificial Intelligence and Autonomous Data Warehouse are radically changing what is possible in data-driven research.

Discovering solutions in Denver

Then, with barely enough time to turn-around with a replenished suitcase, Oracle will be a Gold Partner at the upcoming **EDUCAUSE**

Annual Conference in **Denver**, **Oct 30 – Nov 2**.

On the eve of the conference, please join us by registering for Oracle's Executive Summit at EDUCAUSE. This is a great opportunity to network with your peers and listen to a panel session with a formidable line-up, moderated by Nicole Engelbert. If you can't join us at the Executive Summit, there is another opportunity to hear from equally distinguished panellists during the main conference - Innovate and Differentiate with Enterprise Cloud Services.

Of course it's not all about summits and sessions. As long as the exhibit-hall is open, the Oracle booth (#502) will welcome you to discuss and demonstrate: Oracle Cloud Platform and Infrastructure, Student Cloud, Student Financial Planning, Finance, Planning/Budgeting and Human Capital Management. Plus, stop by and meet our newest employee, Pepper, and enjoy some winter fun and games to boot!

Supercomputing in Dallas

I'll be rounding-off this conference season as a first-timer at the **SC18** conference, in **Dallas**, **November 11-16**.

Immersed in the world of High Performance Computing (HPC), please visit Oracle at booth #2806 to better-understand how Oracle helps researchers respond and innovate faster with Oracle Cloud Infrastructure and Platform. Let us show you how Oracle:

- Delivers performance equal or better to on-premises HPC clusters

- Provides the elasticity you need to ramp usage up and down, as needs change

- And…at lower, more predictable costs than our competitors!

Still today, I often attend conferences and at least one person will look at my badge and say "Oracle...hmm, what do you guys do apart from a database" or "Oracle, that's the database company, right?" If you are attending any of these conferences and are thinking along these lines, then come and find the Oracle booth or Oracle sessions. Sure, we can tell you about databases but we can also tell you about the world's first autonomous/self-driving database and all of the other autonomous cloud services. In addition we can of course share with you information about

all of our other cloud solutions that support education and research institutions all around the world. Visit our exhibition booths at these events and learn why Oracle is not just a database company!

With that, I won't take-up any more of your travel/conference booking time, and I hope to see you at one or more of these conferences. Safe travels.

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