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Programme

DAY 1

GENERAL SESSION 1

9:00

Welcome address: TM1 and Cognos Express in 2013	Ben Heini, Cubewise Australia	Ben will provide an overview of the developments in TM1 and Cognos Express in the last year and an overview of the conference content.
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In the IBM Labs: TM1 and Cognos Xcelerator Roadmap	Tom Baldwin, IBM Program Director, Analytic Server (TM1) Business Analytics	Tom Baldwin, Global Head of TM1 Engineering has been unshackled by IBM to allow him to share the development roadmap of TM1 exclusively to our conference attendees in Australia! Learn where IBM is taking TM1 and Cognos Express - there will be a LOT to talk about!
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10:15

Focused data, not Big Data	Christian Pauwels, Director - KPMG Management Consulting and Competence Leader in Performance Management, Belgium	Focused data, not Big Data - How European Companies create a transparent financial outlook based upon operational business drivers. Christian Pauwels, Director at KPMG Management Consulting and Competence Leader in Performance Management will share his vast experience and practical insights in defining efficient and operational driver-based forecast process to optimise for organisational structure, business process and TM1.
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11:10

Case Study: GHD - Taking the next step with TM1 to Cognos BI & SPSS	Wayne Banks, CFO GHD	GHD is an Australian based global Engineering and Consulting business, that required more data, more detail - and more often. This simply couldn't be achieved by "the way it has always been done"which is why they thought, planned and acted differently. GHD has had TM1 for over a decade and has now been able to take their trusted information within TM1 and deployed it effectively to many more users via Cognos Dashboards and SPSS Predictive Analytic models. Wayne will talk through the challenges and lessons learned from this very recent and successful journey.
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11:50

Expert Panel Discussion	Panel	Big Data, SaaS, Cloud, Mobile - these are the latest buzz words that already have been used so much as to have almost no meaning. We talk to our panel of experts to find out what is actually interesting, valuable and relevant about this subjects (if anything) to TM1 and Cognos Express Customers
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BREAKOUT SESSION 1 (GREEN ROOM) —END USER TECHNIQUES AND TOOLS

13:20

Excel Beautification

David Sauren,
Cubewise Australia

The ever popular session to learn new tricks and techniques to make your TM1 Excel-based reports more functional and appealing.

14:00

Cognos Disclosure
Management (CDM)

James Downey,
Cubewise Australia

CDM is the latest product IBM has integrated effectively with TM1 to be really valuable to TM1 and Cognos Express Customers. See how CDM can use your existing TM1 and Cognos Express data as a basis to produce statutory reports, board packs and other text and collaboration-heavy report processes in a quick, transparent and re-usable way.

14:40

SPSS Predictive
Analytics for TM1
and Cognos Express

Miguel Jesus,
Cubewise Australia

SPSS is now a hot topic in Australia given the recent breakthroughs in terms of the new business problems it can solve with the data you already have in your TM1 cubes using Predictive Analytics. See real world examples of how this is done and why its specifically valuable for TM1 and Cognos Express customers.

15:35

TM1 and the iPad:
The love affair continues

Livia Sirianni,
Cubewise Australia

After another year of implementing Cognos Active Reports for iPads on TM1 and Cognos Express models, Livia will show the tips and tricks to help you get it done.

16:15

TM1 and Cognos BI:
what is cool beyond
iPad?

Shehan Fernando,
Cubewise Australia

Beyond Active Reports, there have been many other advancements and improvements made in developing Cognos BI applications on TM models – see how they work in this session.

DAY 1

BREAKOUT SESSION 2 (ORANGE ROOM) —ADMINISTRATORS AND DEVELOPERS: BEST PRACTICES AND TOOLS

13:20

Bedrock Best Practices: What's New	Adam Davis, Cubewise Australia	Bedrock is another year older and another year more mature. See where Bedrock has evolved and some of the new TM1 and Cognos Express Best Practices that you will be able to take back and use on your model.
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14:00

Benchmarking your TM1 and Cognos Express performance against the world	Tim Ryan, Cubewise Australia	In terms of understanding what TM1 or Xcelerator server and users are doing at any given time has been more art than science - very little quantitative data about your system has been available until now. This session discusses interesting information Cubewise has gleaned from our new monitoring tools. Get an insight into performance benchmarks and what they mean for users and administrators.
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Parallel Data Loading: An Interactive Demonstration	Nathan Swan, Cubewise Australia	This interactive demonstration will show the steps required to take a sequential data loading process and redesign it to enable parallel loading - which can significantly cut down your data load times. See advanced techniques to save time and minimise disruption to users and administrators.
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TM1 Applications (Contributor)	Paolo Malafaia, Cubewise Australia	TM1 Applications (formerly known as Contributor) is becoming a more and more mature product and is well worth long-time TM1 users taking a look at again, as well as new TM1 Users on the verge of their first budgeting application going out to a significant number of users. Come to this session to show some sample applications and how to set it up in the latest version.
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Ensuring Data Integrity	Roy Burton, Cubewise Australia	Data Integrity is the most important aspect to any TM1 system. International compliance legalisation has brought controls to the forefront of many large companies, but these controls are equally important to all TM1 systems. This session discusses the steps you can take to ensure data integrity and the regular checks that you should be making.
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BREAKOUT SESSION 3 (MAUVE ROOM)
— STRATEGIC VIEWS OF TM1

13:20

Integrated Corporate Performance Management (ICPM) as a way to unleash value and drive better outcomes

Daniele Tedesco,
Cubewise Switzerland

By having a holistic approach to Performance Management throughout the whole value chain for strategic, financial and operational management a company is able to unleash value and drive better outcomes. Best practice integrated analytical and planning approaches can help companies to better achieve or exceed their goals. Daniele Tedesco, experienced CFO of many multinational companies, explains common pitfalls, best practices and solutions for the implementation of ICPM systems.

14:00

Case Study:
Australian Department of Human Services

Steven Janek,
Director, Management Accounting Internal Budgets and Reporting Branch - Chief Financial Officer Division

Detailed Financial Forecasting: A system overview, functional walk-through and the lessons learned of the model developed by the Department of Human Services (DHS) in conjunction with Excelerated Consulting. The model provides flexibility to meet the varying forecasting requirements within a large and diverse department. See how DHS has implemented a detailed salary forecasting model and why the department chose to go down this path.

14:40

Case Study:
Leighton Contractors

Maurice Cohen,
Group Manager, Business Intelligence Competency Centre, Group Services, Business Transformation

The perfect advert for the TM1 journey - a lesson for all in due diligence, ownership & best practice; Leighton Contractors had leveraged great value from TM1 for many years but needed to step back and re-build to take TM1 to new levels in order to satisfy rapidly changing business requirements and constant project re-organisations. See how Leighton Contractors brought Bedrock best practice to reduce coding and maintenance allowing them to fully own their system and build for the future.

15:35

Case Study:
Australian Trade Commission

Greg Freeman,
Manager, Financial Planning & Analysis

Helen Bellato,
Team Leader,
Management Information System Finance Division

See how Austrade has transformed its TM1 implementation over 18 months to reflect significant changes in the organisations objectives and operating structure. Demands for quality information by senior management and an increasingly complicated operating environment spanning an international network of over 50 countries and 90 locations, has seen Austrade implement a solution for integrating planning, reporting and analysis across all aspects of its enabling business. See how Austrade overcame source system issues, disparate data sources and working with a diverse range of cultural backgrounds to implement a Management Information System that includes a comprehensive workforce planning solution and capital budgeting model with high levels of data matching and automation.

16:15

Case Study:
Ashurst

Greg Howes,
Director, Strategy & Projects

See how a long-time TM1 customer has been able to transform the value of Ashurst upper management derives from TM1 by providing interactive dashboards of TM1 information to Executives' iPads.

DAY 2

TM1 DEVELOPERS AND ADMINISTRATORS STREAM

9:00

Advanced Feeders	Roy Burton, Cubewise Australia	Feeders are probably the major factor that impacts the performance of TM1, yet one of the least well understood. This session recaps the purpose of feeders, how they can impact the performance of not only calculations but also starting databases and data loading and the benefits and implication of enabling recently added configuration parameters.
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9:45

IBM Cognos TM1 Deep Dive: Best Practices for Performance and Scale in IBM Cognos: Session 1	Tom Baldwin, IBM Program Director, Analytic Server (TM1) Business Analytics	Tom will present various best practices for performance enhancements for customers on TM1 10.1. For those not yet on TM1 10.1 - take a look at what is coming!
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10:45

IBM Cognos TM1 Deep Dive: Best Practices for Performance and Scale in IBM Cognos: Session 2	Tom Baldwin, IBM Program Director, Analytic Server (TM1) Business Analytics	Tom will present <i>further</i> best practices for performance enhancements for customers on TM1 10.1. For those not yet on TM1 10.1 - take a look at what is coming!
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Turbo Integrator: Examples of how Bedrock works	Dmitry Fomichev, Cubewise Australia	Bedrock Modular Turbo Integrator approach has become widely adopted around the world now - see some examples of how to use it effectively to build and debug your models easier!
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Turbo Integrator: More advanced examples of how Bedrock works	Dmitry Fomichev, Cubewise Australia	See some more advanced examples of how to use Bedrock effectively.
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14:00

Rules: Common pitfalls and how to avoid them	Thomas Jensen, Cubewise Australia	Rules are one of the most powerful capabilities of TM1 - but developers seem to fall into some common traps when writing Rules and Feeders. Attend this session to find these out and avoid these common issues faced by rule writers!
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TM1 POWER USERS STREAM

9:00

Active forms: how to build them well	Damien Burke, Cubewise Australia	A key follow-on from the Excel Beautification presentation from Day 1 - see how to develop and get the most from your forms.
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Active forms: advanced examples	Damien Burke, Cubewise Australia	Further and more advanced examples of active form reporting techniques you'll be able to take back to work and implement onto your systems right away.
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How To: Get the most out of drill-through for power users	David Sauren, Cubewise Australia	Drill-through has been in TM1 for a long time and very powerful to use, but still way under-utilised. Learn how it works and what you can do to set it up and make drilling from cube to cube, or from cube to data source easy.
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TM1 and Cognos Express functionality you probably don't use, but should	Jason Mullins, Cubewise UK	A follow-on from the Drill-through session in the morning - see a demonstration of the newest TM1 and Cognos Express functionality that you can use easily, but probably haven't yet.
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Cognos Insight: when to use it, and what it can do for you?	Jason Mullins, Cubewise UK	Cognos Insight is still new functionality for TM1 and Cognos Express customers. After a year of experience, we'll demonstrate where it is in the latest version and its best use cases for existing Power Users.
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TM1 Web Application Building	Paolo Malafaia, Cubewise Australia	See how to develop applications and reports to work effectively and with high performance in TM1 Web. See some new ideas in terms of how to deploy TM1 applications in terms of cool functionality and look and feel.
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DAY 2

GENERAL SESSION

15:15

Take a sneak peak
inside the IBM TM1 labs

Tom Baldwin,
IBM Program Director,
Analytic Server (TM1)
Business Analytics

Tom Baldwin will lead an interactive discussion with the audience, showing them some demos of "in the labs" TM1 developments and asking for feedback and discussion.

16:15

Ask the Gurus

Panel of TM1 and
Cognos Express Gurus

Keeping the traditional alive - hammer a panel of experts (including Tom Baldwin) with your questions about TM1 and Cognos Express. Any question is fair game!

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