



# News



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## U.K. E-GOVERNMENT



Whitehorse Director David Peile and Anstra Technologies Director David Platt spent two weeks of April in an intensive round of meetings with UK leaders in the fields of e-Government, interoperability, planning online and information management and commercialisation across both the public and private sectors. The invitation to visit came in the context of a number of our current E-Government interoperability projects.

Discussions took place with Senior officers of:

*UK Govt. Office of the e-Envoy*  
*MetaMatrix*  
*Microsoft*  
*The Planning Inspectorate*  
*Local Government Information House (LGIH)*  
*City of Lewisham*  
*Fujitsu*  
*Local Government Association*  
*Logica (UK)*

The Davids were also invited to attend a meeting of European Information Society Group EURIM and the Spring Conference of the Society of Information Technology Management **socitm**, focused on e-Government service delivery.

Whilst UK progress in many areas was impressive, the meetings also demonstrated that Australia is leading in a number of areas of e-government and interoperability.

If you are interested in any of these areas contact:



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## BEANS

A chemist, a physicist and an economist are wrecked on a desert island with a can of baked beans for food but nothing to open it with.



The chemist decides to build a fire to explode the can. The physicist works out the trajectory to establish where the bakes beans will land.

The economists says, "Hang on guys, you're doing it the hard way. Let's assume we have a can opener."

Dr Steve Keen, University of Western Sydney, 2002.

## WHITEHORSE INTRODUCES



**John Adshead** has joined Whitehorse as Practice Area Principal, IT Management and Strategy, within the Information Technology & Communications Division.

John brings to Whitehorse extensive experience, both in the public and private sectors, in Information Systems Planning, especially Asset Management, Records Management, Outsourcing, Graphical and Geographical Information Systems and Customer information Systems.

Previously Manager of the IT Strategy practice within Tier Technologies (formerly Sionson Bowles), John's experience covers a range of industries including Water, Electricity and Gas Utilities, Local Government, Libraries, Road and Rail Transport, Land and Property, Environment and Natural Resources, Health and Human Services, Emergency Services, and Engineering Construction.

John holds a Master of Surveying Science degree together with a Bachelor of Surveying degree (with Honours), both from The University of Melbourne.



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