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New Whitehorse website

Many of our clients and other friends have been justly critical of the Whitehorse web-site for some time. www.whitehorsestrategic.com was described as “appalling”, “old-fashioned”, “out-of-date”, and “uninformative” – and that was from partners and staff who were being kind.

Some people even suggested that continuing to use photos which were taken prior to the invention of the digital camera, - of Ian Dennis especially - bordered upon fraudulent misrepresentation!

Well – we listened.

The new website may look a lot like the old one, but – for starters - there are no photos of the directors, and the CV's are up to date.

More importantly, the services described have been expanded to include our growing information management practice and our Darwin office, and newsletters and our publications can now be directly downloaded.

Just go to the tab marked “**Publications**” and the following list is already available. We will update and expand this list over the next year.

2008

[ACS ICT Industry Report January 2008.pdf](#)
[ICT Skills Forecasting Report Aug2008.pdf](#)
[ICT Skills Forecasting Report Exec Summary Aug08.pdf](#)

Newsletters

2008

[WHITEHORSE NEWS-August 2008.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS-June 2008.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS-May 2008.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS-April 2008.pdf](#)

2007

[WHITEHORSE NEWS - Dec 2007.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS - April 2007.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS- March 2007.pdf](#)
[WHITEHORSE NEWS-Jan 2007.pdf](#)

Mentioned in Dispatches



The “Gershon” Review of the Australian government’s use of information and communication technology, released by the Government in August 2008, says, (on Page 10)

“According to a report prepared for the Australian Computer Society and the Australian Information Industry Association, the Australian ICT industry is looking at a shortfall of 14,000 jobs by 2010, growing to 25,000 within another 10 years. The report also warned that the ICT skills shortage will continue at current or worse levels until at least 2012, and argued that temporary migrant visas are only a short-term solution. The report said that Australia must act quickly to increase local graduate numbers by at least 12.5% a year and reduce the loss of ICT professionals to overseas employers.

Such ICT skills shortages will also drive the need for better sharing of ICT assets across the whole of the Government. In addition to growing its own ICT professionals through training and development, other options may include employing older Australians, attracting more females to a career in ICT, and partnering with academic institutions. The Government will also need to consider strategies to ensure it has sufficient skilled ICT professionals to meet the demands of service provision. “

The footnote references: “Centre for Innovative Industry Research Inc. (August 2008), ‘The ICT skills forecast project. First report: Quantifying current and forecast ICT employment “

Whitehorse participated in this project

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