



ABERDEEN BRANCH

Lunchtime Seminar & Discussion

Cloud Computing: Getting more from computing resources

Location: Satrosphere Science Centre*
(Einstein and Newton Rooms)

Date: Friday 19th March 2010

Time: 2.30pm – 2.00pm

**Free soup & sandwiches available from 12.00pm.
(Presentations start at 12.30pm)**

* The Tramsheds, 179 Constitution Street, Aberdeen (just off Beach Boulevard)

What is Cloud Computing?

Widely considered as the logical successor of the Internet, cloud computing entails the exchange of computer and data resources across global networks. It constitutes a new value-added paradigm for network computing, where higher efficiency, massive scalability, and speed rely on effective software development. Major Internet powerhouses such as Amazon, Google, Microsoft, IBM, and Yahoo have embarked upon substantial business endeavours centred on this new paradigm. Higher educational and research organisations in the UK and abroad are increasingly considering fully embracing cloud computing.

Chair: Professor Ian Allison, RGU

Speaker 1: Rob Hamilton, Director, Dynamic Edge Solutions

- Cloud Computing, the Microsoft angle: - an overview and discussion of the Microsoft cloud proposition known as Microsoft Online Services Business Productivity Online Suite (BPOS) with a focus on SME's of between 5 and 100 users and how this on the target market can see real value and cost savings

Speaker 2: Dr. Horacio González-Vélez, FRSA, Lecturer, RGU School of Computing

- Clouds or Grids? - This talk contrasts the evolving nature of clouds with the already established grid and multi-resource computing environments within higher educational and research institutions, and sets the stage for discussion on future developments on this fast-evolving area.

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Come along and join in the discussions!