Dear Friend and Colleague,

It's time to start planning for your attendance at the **15th Annual DAMA International Symposium, and 7th Annual Wilshire Meta-Data Conference**. Together these two major educational conferences represent the largest vendor-neutral data management conference in the world. The event takes place on April 27–May 1, 2003 at the Renaissance Orlando Resort at SeaWorld in Orlando, Florida.

**Over 100 Speakers, including 50 Corporate Practitioners**

Over 100 speakers will be at the conference to share their experience and knowledge with you, and more than 50 of them are corporate practitioners—people just like you who are working to solve the same problems and challenges as you, and willing to talk about it openly. Attendees find this dialogue absolutely vital, and they agree there is no other venue where they can learn from so much shared practical experience in such a short time.

Every year we think this conference can't get any better. Yet each event seems to surpass the previous one in terms of educational quality, professional learning opportunities and “personal ROI”. The 2003 will be no different. There are more sessions than ever before, more workshops, more tutorials, more speakers... in fact, we challenge you to find a more value-packed educational conference in the entire IT industry!

**30 reasons this is the one “Must Attend” event for Data Managers**

There's no one reason why the DAMA Symposium and Wilshire Meta-Data Conference has gained it's stellar reputation. But here are 30 possible reasons:

1. **Practitioner-to-Practitioner education.**
2. It’s data professionals coming together as a **community**, to share experience and support each other.
3. You learn about and prepare for the **new issues and technologies that will impact your job** soon—like XML, agile methods, data integration, web services, semantics, BI, and many more.
4. **Learning is the top priority.** The emphasis is on what you need to know to do your job better today.
5. The **professional networking** is unmatched.
6. You see what **best practices** others are implementing.
7. You get **new ideas** for solving ongoing problems and challenges, such as how to sell data management to senior management.
8. It’s a chance to **meet the giants** face to face—the industry pioneers and experts who you’ve always heard about. Invite them to lunch or coffee—they want to share their expertise with you.
9. **Talk to the author** you’ve always admired—Graeme Simsion, John Zachman, Larry English, David Hay, Ron Ross, David Marco. There'll be at least two dozen noted book authors in Orlando.
10. **Understand the big picture**—how does your role in DA fit within the larger scope of your organization's IT and business strategy?
11. **Increase your job security** by keeping your skills current and relevant in a fast-changing world.
12. You learn to **align your projects with business goals**, and how to **show value for what you do**.
13. You learn to **set the expectations** of your management/business partners at the right level.
14. **See the new products** of all the key vendors at once.
15. Attend the **User Group meetings** of vendors.

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16. It's fun! Especially at the upcoming event in Orlando, adjacent to SeaWorld and just a short ride to all the Disney attractions.
17. It's intense! We'll keep you busy from morning to night, with all the different workshops, SIGs, user meetings, and night school (maybe this will help you convince your boss!)
18. It's motivating! You get lots of ideas, plus the energy boost to shake things up back at the office.
19. It's mind-opening! You'll be exposed to new ideas and learn to think about things in new ways.
20. The format and content make it ideal for your entire team. Large company groups get even more out of the event and they also qualify for generous group discounts, (see page 5).
21. The presenters are candid and speak from experience. This isn't theory— it's the real world!
22. The program is exceptionally well organized, with comfortable and attractive meeting facilities.
23. We give you complete session materials— for example, if you sign up for one tutorial, we give you the manuals for all of them. Sign up for the conference and you get a CD with all the presentations.
24. Breakfast and lunch are INCLUDED in your registration fee.
25. It's comprehensive— there's something for everyone, yet plenty of depth.
26. There are sessions for every level of knowledge, from novice to expert.
27. It's a benchmark. You can see how your company is doing compared to others.
28. It's a reality check. You'll be able to sort out what's important and what's not.
29. There's no "hype" because the emphasis is on education from other practitioners, and not on vaporware claims from people trying to sell you stuff.
30. It's great value. Elsewhere you could pay 50–100% more for a five-day educational program that wouldn't have nearly as many options.

3 Special Offers— Prizes and Discounts! What You Need to Do...
1. First, enter the drawing for a FREE Conference Registration by completing the form at the conference web site. There's NO OBLIGATION when you enter.
2. And, if you choose to make your paid registration before March 14, 2003, you'll receive an early payment discount of $100 off your full-event fee (or $50 off your tutorial-only or conference-only fee).
3. Register 4 or more of your team at one time and you qualify for our generous team discounts. See page 5 for the full discount structure.

What are you waiting for? Join your colleagues from around the world at the biggest and best data management event of the year. We hope you can join us in exciting Orlando this spring!

Best regards,

Tony Shaw, Chairman
Wilshire Conferences

Davida Berger, VP Conference Services
DAMA International

PS: Remember to enter the drawing for a FREE conference registration at the conference web site www.wilshireconferences.com before December 20, 2002. Encourage your colleagues to enter the drawing as well!
A Practical, Working Approach to Database Change Control
An Introductory Roadmap for Establishing an XML Data Architecture
Analytical Modeling Manifesto
Banking on Metadata at Allstate
Blockbuster Video’s Enterprise Data Warehouse Initiative
BPM Analytics: The Future of Business Intelligence?
Building and Utilizing a Successful Meta Database
Business Intelligence in the Competitive Corporate World
Business Intelligence: From Theory to Reality
Business Rules and Rule Engines: Opening New Doors of Opportunity
Communicating the Value Proposition of Data Modeling
Data Management—Thinking Outside the Box
Data Management for ECommerce
Data Model and Integration Strategies for Real-Time Analytics
Data Modeling for Authentication and Entitlement
Data Modeling Issues in Product Data Management
Data Modeling Panel
Data Ownership and Governance in a Multi-National Company
Data Quality at Bulgari: a real case study
Deriving Business Value from Enterprise Metadata Management
Developing a Business Rules Strategy using a Business Rules Special Interest Group Approach
Discovery and Beyond: The Purposes of Metadata
Enhancing Information Quality Management Practices at HUD
Enterprise Shared Data—A Road Map to Realization
Essential Database Design Patterns
Ethics in Data Management
FGDC MetaData and Oracle Spatial Data Integration
Get “Focused” Before Data Modeling
Herding Cats: DA and DBA must work together to prevent architectural chaos
How Have Shell and other Large Companies Approached Enterprise Information
How to Sustain Your Career in a Changing Discipline?
Implementing a Web-based System from Scratch: A Data Management War Story
Implementing Complex Data Integrity Rules Inside Your RDBMS
Information Quality in an Integrated ERP Production Environment
Integrating Business Semantics in a Heterogeneous Environment Integration?
Its Not Just Arts and Crafts: Quality Assurance for Data Models
Knowing our Customers: Initiating Customer Rule Management at AT&T
Managing a Data Services Organization
Managing Namespaces in XML
Managing the XML Data Resource
Managing XML Assets/What Data Managers can Learn from Librarians
Master Reference Data: A Real-Time Data Architecture for Today’s Enterprise
Meta-Data: It’s Not Just About Data Anymore
Metadata-Driven ETL
Metamodels for ER, ORM and UML: a Critical Review
Methods and Models in Data Architecture
Modeling Information Flow: Turning the Assembly Line into an InfoMatrix
Objects and Entities—Understanding Two Worlds.
OK, So What Exactly Is a Data Model, Anyway?
PANEL: CRM Data Integration
PANEL: Data Issues in CRM Implementations
PANEL: Metadata ROI
PANEL: The Semantics of Semantics
Partnering with Business Process Reengineering to Improve Data Quality
Physically Implementing Universal Data Models to Integrate Data
Raising the Quality Bar in Database Administration
So, Management has decided to buy a Vendor Package...
Surviving the Trek to Data Element Standardization To a High Payoff
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Data Managers
The Associative Model of Data
The Business of IT
The Case for Logical and Physical Globally Unique Surrogate Keys
The Data Analysis Political Toolkit
Toward Legacy Architecture Recovery Measures
Understanding and Leveraging the Object Management Group’s Metadata Standards
Unstructured Data and Content Management
Vision Accomplished: Metadata Repository to Single Source Directory
Web based Dynamic Data Dictionary
Web Services Explained and Demonstrated Whose on First—’Data’ or ‘Process’
XML Data Management Tools: Survey and Demonstration
XML: The Data Management Enabler
XM P: The New Standard for Metadata Exchange

Night School
Process Modeling—The Foundation of Effective Systems
Data Management Professionals & Certification
Putting User Language On Data Models
Orientation to Geographic Information
Systems and Geospatial Data Management
Building and Using Taxonomies
How to Talk Like an Oracle DBA
Using UML for Data Modeling
Project Management for Data Management Projects
CMM & Data Management
Information Stewardship
ETL vs. EAI: A Comparison of Integration Approaches
Knowledge Management
Modeling Privacy
To Laugh or to Cry? More Fundamental Fallacies in Database Management

Special Interest Groups
HIPAA Healthcare Industry Standards
ACORD Insurance Industry Standards
Financial Industry Standards
Managing XML Objects in an ISO/IEC 11179 Metadata Registry
Creating a Data Repository with DB2/UDB XML Extender
Developing Business Process Strategy and Metrics
PANEL: Business Rules Group
AllFusion ERwin Data Modeler 4.x—Tips, Tricks & Suggestions
DAMA Members-at-Large Open Meeting
Why Meta Data Management is Pivotal to Enterprise Data Security
Mapping data between XML and RDBMS
Foundational Warehouse Modeling
PANEL: Data Management’s Next Big Thing
PANEL: Marketing and Selling Data Management
WORKSHOPS AND TUTORIALS

Workshops
Data Modeling Basics
Creative Data Modeling: Ideas and Techniques for Advanced Practitioners
Practice Made Perfect: A Business Rule Discovery and Analysis Workshop
The Agile Data Method
Developing a Metadata Strategy
XML for Data Practitioners
Practical Techniques in Assessing Data Behavior, Meaning, and Quality

Tutorials
Normalization, Performance, Integrity and the Logical-Physical Confusion
Enterprise Metadata Implementation: Learning from “Best Practices”
Fundamentals of Metadata and Repository Management
Implementing a Message-Based Data Integration Strategy
Design of Reusable XML Component Schemas
Modern Database Administration

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“Several tools gathered for immediate use!”
Neal W., Chief Data Architect, U.S. Air Force

“It was nice to get information about the theory or practice instead of the typical vendor product type of conference.”
Lance G., DBA, Affiliated Computer Services-Govt. Solutions Group

“The most valuable conference of this nature that I have attended.”
Joe T., Data Modeler, Dept. of Veteran Affairs

“The conference is the best place to meet and network with like-minded data managers. I always come away with something useful to my own company and position.”
Cathy R., Data Architect, Cinergy Corp.

“What a fantastic opportunity to learn from the experts. My DM exposure is limited to a single corporate environment. It is difficult to learn or recognize best practices from a single point of view.”
Sharon G., Sr. Software Engineer, MBNA

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*SPECIAL OFFER FOR GROUPS
For every four paying registrations, get a fifth one free! The free registration will be at the level of the lowest priced paid registration. To qualify, the group members must be with the same organization and register at the same time. There is no limit to your group size; if you have more than 5 attendees, each additional registration will be 20% off. If the group does not specify to whom they would like to apply the free registration, we will assign it randomly. If registering a group online, please submit a separate registration for each group member, and list all group members’ names in the Billing Notes field. If you have questions or need assistance, please call or email us.

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❑ W3: Business Rule Discovery and Analysis (Barbara von Halle)
❑ W4: Agile Modeling to Agile Data (Scott Ambler)
❑ W5: Developing a Metadata Strategy (Stan Slossberg)
❑ W6: XML for Data Practitioners (David Plotkin)
❑ W7: Assessing Data Behavior, Meaning, and Quality (Michael Scofield)
❑ W8: Normalization, Performance, Integrity and the Logical-Physical Confusion (Fabian Pascal)

FULL-DAY TUTORIALS (Monday)
❑ T1: Transforming IRM Information for Business and Systems Effectiveness (Larry English)
❑ T2: Enterprise Architecture (John Zachman)
❑ T3: Data Resource Integration (Michael Brackett)
❑ T4: The Logical to Physical Data Model Transformation (William G. Smith)
❑ T5: Building a Business Intelligence Environment on a Shoestring (Claudia Imhoff)
❑ T6: Enterprise Metadata Implementation: Learning from “Best Practices” (Todd Stephens)
❑ T7: Fundamentals of Metadata and Repository Management (David Marco)
❑ T8: Enterprise Messaging for Data Integration (Dave Mccomb)
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