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ISTC news

ISTC Community to have increased digital presence

From Andrew Marlow, FISTC, ISTC Community lead

The ISTC Community is to have its own digital presence in social media networks including Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn. Following these networks you'll be able to keep up to date with news, events, area group developments and other community activities.

Facebook:
www.facebook.com/istccommunity

Twitter:
[@istc_community](https://twitter.com/istc_community)

LinkedIn:
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8440733>

They'll be operational from January 2016, although the placeholders are set up if you want to like or follow the pages in advance.

Be part of the ISTC's new discussion network for technical communicators

The ISTC's discussion forum for members has moved to a new home. In fact, now there are three forums for you to use.

The new ISTC forums offers capabilities such as:

- You can embed rich media, such as videos and tweets, in your messages.
- You can look at a poster's user profile, and see their photo.
- You can have your own photo or avatar next to your messages.
- You can add tags to messages, so searching is easier.

You'll need to login to the ISTC website first before you can have access to the new forums. Once you've logged in, you can access the forums at: www.istc.org.uk/our-community/discussion-forums.

Remember, this link won't work until you've logged in.

The new forums have been set up so you can still receive notifications by email, if you prefer. Use the Subscribe link in the discussion boards to activate the email notifications.

We'll keep the Yahoo discussion forum open so that people are able to continue to comment on existing discussions. You will also be able to search it to find past

messages. However, you'll find the new discussions over on the new ISTC-hosted discussion boards.

We plan to introduce new activities, such as *Ask Me Anything* topics, and if you have any suggestion on how we can get the most out of our new platform, do let us know.

Take part - share, discuss and learn!

ISTC special awards

The ISTC presents two awards to people in recognition of their contributions to technical communication as a whole and to the ISTC in particular.

The Horace Hockley award for 2015 is presented to Dr Hans van der Meij, who currently a senior researcher and lecturer at Twente University in The Netherlands. Dr van der Meij is probably familiar to many technical communicators as a contributor to *Minimalism Beyond the Nurnberg Funnel*, and his work and research continue to benefit our profession today.

This year, the Mike Austen award is presented to Theresa Cameron, who was the ISTC Council member with responsibility for the international face of the ISTC for a number of years and who worked tirelessly on our behalf to raise our profile and ensure our voice was heard.

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Contributions

This newsletter is for the benefit of both ISTC members and technical communicators in the wider community. We are always pleased to hear from readers with suggestions for content, improvement and the development of *InfoPlus*⁺. If you have something you'd like included or any ideas for features and regular sections, please email newsletter.editor@istc.org.uk.

For more information on both of these awards and the people who inspired them, visit <http://www.istc.org.uk/professional-development-and-recognition/istc-awards/>.



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New ISTC competition

The ISTC has decided to run a competition, with a prize! We're looking for content that promotes the value of technical communication to non-technical communicators, which we can use on the ISTC website. Entries can be videos or slideshows (PowerPoint or similar). They can be any length (but don't make them too long).

To enter, please send a link to what you have produced to marketing@istc.org.uk (please don't email the production itself, just a link).

Closing date: 28 February 2016.

The judging panel includes the ISTC President and ISTC Marketing Council Lead. The judges' decision will be final.

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seen yet."*

Claire Wood

www.istc.org.uk

ISTC local area and special interest groups

Interested in a Birmingham Area Group?

We are trying to establish if there is any interest in setting up a group in Birmingham with a view to a first meet up towards the end of the year. If you are interested in attending a meeting in Birmingham, please email Elaine Cole at the ISTC office: istc@istc.org.uk.

Thames Valley Area Group meetings

At the October meeting we welcomed another new member and looked at historical examples of technical writing. The most precious example was an instruction manual for a World War II aeroplane, which was in impeccable condition. Also, Darren and Don revisited what they had learnt at the recent TCUK conference.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Thames Valley group will be held on Tuesday, 1 December at The Plowden Arms, Shiplake Cross, Henley-on-Thames (www.plowdenarmsshiplake.co.uk) from 7:30 to 9:30pm

You are invited to design and bring along technical communication themed Christmas cards. All are welcome so please inform anyone who you think may be interested. If you'd like to attend, please register via Eventbrite using the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/istc-thames-valley-group-meeting-1st-december-2015-tickets-19547767900>.

The organiser for this event is Darren Mitcham who may be contacted by email: thamesvalley_areagroup@istc.org.uk.

South West England Area Group meetings

From Eric Weston

Our subject for the evening was 'estimation'. Various experiences and ideas were shared, with contributions that included:

- A Guide to Estimating Writing Projects (available at: www.writingassist.com/pdfs/WAI_EstimatingWritingProjects_V4_1_2011.pdf)
- It's In the Numbers: Using Metrics to Plan Documentation Projects (available at: www.writingassist.com/resources/articles/its-in-the-numbers-using-metrics-to-plan-documentation-projects)
- Notes on estimation designed help you think about scoring dependencies for use in calculations.
- An example estimation spreadsheet that shows a method of calculation a member has developed over the years to help him plan his freelance editing work.

Next meeting

We decided not to convene in December as the month can be rather frantic. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 January 2016 at the George Inn, Bristol from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Please head upstairs to 'Abbot's Retreat' <http://thegeorgeinnbristol.co.uk>.

The general topic for discussion this time is ‘structured authoring’. Some ideas to get you thinking:

- What would you most like to know about structured authoring?
- What are some good resources for learning about it?
- What tips can you share about getting ‘early wins’, or avoiding pitfalls?
- Can you compare and contrast different standards such as DITA and S1000D?
- What difficulties are you having that you think structured authoring could help to solve? How?

All are welcome and if you would like to attend please register your interest via the following Eventbrite link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/istc-sw-england-area-group-wednesday-13th-january-2016-tickets-19544319586>.

The organiser for this event is Eric Weston who may be contacted by email: southwest_areagroup@istc.org.uk.

Current ISTC local area groups

Contact your nearest area or special interest group on the email shown below. If you’re interested in setting up either an area group or a special interest group, please contact our area groups manager Tom Dumic at: areagroupsmanager@istc.org.uk.

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Special interest groups:

Name	Leader	Email Contact Details
MadSIG	Marjorie Jones, Tom Bridley Kai Weber	MadSIG@istc.org.uk

A plea: if you know you're not going to be able to attend a meeting that you've registered for, could you please contact the organiser, even if it is at short notice.

Using Eventbrite to register attendance at area group meetings

Some area group meetings are posted on Eventbrite and where this is the case, we asked anyone expecting to attend to register online using this event management service. You can see a list of ISTC related events by visiting: www.eventbrite.com/org/495786380.

ISTC groups on LinkedIn

The ISTC has a number of LinkedIn groups for its members. Have you joined the relevant groups?



ISTC Community group:
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/8440733>.

TCUK: <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/7475853/profile>.

ISTC group: www.linkedin.com/groups/Institute-Scientific-Technical-Communicators-1858546/about.

This group has a number of sub groups for:

- ISTC NW Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups/ISTC-NW-Area-Group-2445779/about
- Southern Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4795279
- Thames Valley Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4805266
- ISTC Midlands Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups/ISTC-West-Midlands-Area-Group-4835591/about
- South Wales Group
www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=5161265
- West of Scotland Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=5081412

There are other area groups which aren't sub groups of the ISTC one:

- Cambridge Technical Communicators
www.linkedin.com/groups/Cambridge-Technical-Communicators-1805651/about
- Irish Technical Writers – An ISTC Area Group
www.linkedin.com/groups/Irish-Technical-Writers-ISTC-Area-3369559/about
- MadCap UK and Europe Users Group
www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=5081593

Business affiliate news

Adobe Tech Comm Survey 2015



This survey is conducted annually to understand the changing trends in the Tech Comm industry. In addition, it's Adobe's constant endeavour to learn how you create, publish and distribute content and how you measure the effectiveness of content. We want to understand which tools you use, how you use them and how they can be improved.

It does not matter if you use Adobe products or not. As long as you are a Tech Comm professional and want your voice to be heard, you can fill out the survey - <http://survey.douwriteright.com>. Please spare 15 minutes of your precious time to fill out the survey and stand a chance to win one of the 23 exciting prizes!

3di at Going Global 2015

3di are exhibiting on stand G181 at Going Global taking place at Olympia, London, on 3 and 4 December 2015.

This unique event is tailored specifically towards British companies looking to expand internationally and features free seminars, masterclasses, expert speakers, live demonstrations and networking. There'll be 3,000 fellow businesses all sharing the same ambition to expand internationally, export products or set up overseas operations.

3di are looking forward to meeting with business owners and export managers wanting to utilise their expertise to translate business information and localize products, both of which will really help to grow their level of exports and increase revenue.

This really is a must-attend event for any businesses with international aspirations. You can register for free tickets online at: <http://tickets.prysmgroup.co.uk/goingglobal/180>. Your free ticket also gains you access to The Business Show running next door – the largest business exhibition in Europe, attracting 25,000 visitors, 250 free seminars, workshops, networking and hosts some of the UK's top business speakers.

San Diego Union-Tribune names MadCap Software winner of the San Diego Metro Area 2015 top workplaces award

MadCap Software has been awarded a 2015 Top Workplaces honour by The San Diego Union-Tribune. The Top Workplaces lists are based solely on the results of an employee feedback survey administered by WorkplaceDynamics, LLC, a leading research firm that specialises in organisational health and workplace improvement. Several aspects of workplace culture were measured, including Alignment, Execution, and Connection, just to name a few.

‘The Top Workplaces award is not a popularity contest. And oftentimes, people assume it's all about fancy perks and benefits’ says Doug Claffey, CEO of WorkplaceDynamics. ‘But to be a top workplace, organisations must meet our strict standards for organisational health. And who better to ask about work life than the people who live the culture every day – the employees. Time and time again, our research has proven that what's most important to them is a strong belief in where the organisation is headed, how it's going to get there, and the feeling that everyone is in it together’.

Claffey adds, ‘Without this sense of connection, an organization doesn't have a shot at being named a Top Workplace.’

On the heels of its 10-year anniversary this year, MadCap Software's founding partners are still actively engaged in the business and continue to instil the high-quality values, passion, and commitment to customer service and innovation that they did when the company first launched in 2005.

‘We are truly honoured to receive the 2015 Top Workplace Award. Our passionate workforce and evangelists have helped us to maintain an incredible and loyal customer base that we strive to support every day’ said MadCap Chief Executive Officer Anthony Olivier. ‘As a growing organisation, we know that the happiness and continued commitment of our employees is integral to our success. We're confident that if we continue to attract the best of the best and nurture our people every step of the way, our products and our culture will speak for themselves.’

U-T San Diego published the complete list of Top Workplaces on 8 November. For more information about the Top Workplaces lists and WorkplaceDynamics, please visit www.topworkplaces.com and www.workplacedynamics.com.

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Industry and general news

CrowdReviews.com begins ranking content management system software providers

CrowdReviews.com, an online platform for reviews and rankings of software solutions, has begun ranking content management system software companies.

Those interested in viewing the list of content management system software providers can visit: www.crowdreviews.com/rankings-of-best-content-management-system-software.

The platform has been launched in a limited beta stage and is currently inviting content management system software developers to have their customers leave reviews and feedback on their experiences in using the software.

Feedback is visible to visitors looking to make a purchase and is used by an algorithm in order to determine the placement of the content management system software vendors within the rankings. The rankings of these software vendors is primarily determined by user

reviews, however, there are other elements which can impact a software's placement within the rankings.

A transparent algorithm has been created in order to determine where to place each software vendor across various software and service categories. For more information on the elements which can impact a placement within the rankings, visit: www.crowdreviews.com/how-do-we-rank.

Those interested in joining CrowdReviews.com can visit the following page to register or claim their profile: www.crowdreviews.com/#registration.

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The Society for Editors and Proofreaders (SfEP) now offers mentoring in copy-editing journal articles in biomedical fields specifically. This uses real copy-editing assignments of accepted papers in journals, both research papers and review articles, and also covers editing of papers before submission to journals on behalf of authors. Mentees should have a background in biology or medicine to at least degree level. For more information, visit: www.sfep.org.uk/training/mentoring.

Blog news

By Ginny Critcher

Hello everyone. Here is this month's blog round up for you.

Deborah S. Bosley at the Content Wrangler writes about Empathy the forgotten element in successful content creation:

<http://thecontentwrangler.com/2015/10/27/empathy-the-forgotten-element-in-successful-content-creation/>.

Iconlogic compare Adobe Captivate to Articulate Storyline:

<http://iconlogic.blogs.com/weblog/2015/11/articulate-storyline-vs-adobe-captivate.html>.

Johan Elisson shares insights from this year's tekcom/tc world conference in Stuttgart:

<http://blog.semcon.com/productinformation/three-insights-from-day-1-at-tcworld-2015>.

David Rose at Armada contributes his Robohelp wish list:

<https://www.armada.uk/blog/adobe-robohelp-my-wishlist-part-one/>.

Tom Johnson at 'I'd rather be writing' looks at increasing efficiency when fixing errors and implications for technical writers on agile teams:

<http://idratherbewriting.com/2015/10/27/fix-errors-fast-scrum-agile/>.

Ann Gentle at Just Write Click tells us about Google I/O 2015 including its effective push to bring more women to the conference:

<http://justwriteclick.com/2015/11/05/google-io-2015-looking-back-and-forward/>.

Cherryleaf has posted its predictions for technical communication in 2016:

www.cherryleaf.com/blog/2015/11/five-predictions-for-technical-communication-in-2016-and-beyond/.

Do you have a blog? Let Ginny know so she can include it in her monthly review. Seen an interesting post? Simply email ginny@cherryleaf.com.

Ginny has a background as a skilled trainer and information designer, and is responsible for the development of Cherryleaf's training courses. In addition to her skills in information design, she has over twenty years experience in teaching and training throughout the world. She is Cherryleaf's representative to the Institute of Scientific and Technical Communicators (ISTC).



Training courses

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Armada, MadCap and Cherryleaf are ISTC Business Affiliates.

MadCap training

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www.madworldconference.com/.

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Armada, Bromsgrove.

www.armada.co.uk/illustrator-training-course.

10-11 Introduction to Adobe Captivate

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Armada, Milton Keynes.

www.armada.co.uk/captivate-training-course.

14-16 Introduction to Adobe Premiere Pro

Adobe Premiere Pro allows you to capture, import, edit, apply effects, mix audio, and output to a number of formats for video, the Web and interactive media such as DVD and Adobe Flash.

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www.mekon-creatives.com/courses.cfm?course=premiereintroduction&type=adobe.

17-18 Introduction to Adobe InDesign

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6-7 Advanced technical writing and new trends course

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Events news



The banner for the TC Europe Colloquium 2016 features a background of a terraced hillside under a blue sky with a network of white dots and lines. The text 'TC europe Colloquium 2016' is prominently displayed in a stylized font, with 'THE NEXT BIG THING' in a black box below it. The date '15 April 2016' is in a white box. A black circle in the top right corner says 'PORTO PORTUGAL'. A white box in the bottom right corner says 'Call for Papers until 30 December 2015'. At the bottom, it says 'MORE INFO HERE: www.tceurope.org | colloquium@tceurope.org' and includes logos for 'apcomtec' and 'hosted by'.

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February

- 3 Illustrator and fancy Wacom tablets**
Toner's Pub, 139 Baggot Street Lower, Dublin, Ireland, from 6:00-8:15pm
www.byol.ie/event-illustrator-wacom-dublin.html.

- 11 ConveyUX 2016**
The fourth annual gathering of UXers in the Pacific Northwest.
Seattle, WA, USA
<http://conveyux.com>.
- 25-26 tcworld India (6th annual conference)**
An international learning platform for Indian technical communicators and language professionals.
Bangalore, India
<http://conferences.tekom.de/tcworld-india-2016/home>.

March

- 2-4 Interaction16**
Interaction 16 explores what's next in the context of the future of interaction design as a craft, as a profession, and design practice as a whole.
Helsinki, Finland
<http://interaction16.ixda.org/program>.

April

6-9 Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC)

Writing strategies for action.

Houston, TX, USA

<http://www.ncte.org/cccc/conv>.

10-12 MadWorld 2016

Premier technical communication and content strategy conference for technical writers, documentation managers and content strategists.

San Diego, CA, USA.

www.madcapsoftware.com/events/madworld.

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TCeurope Colloquium 2016

The TCeurope Europe Colloquium 2016 will offer participants the chance to explore and discuss the new tools, methodologies, and skills that technical communicators must acquire and leverage in order to stay relevant and succeed in this challenging environment.

Porto, Portugal

<http://tceurope.org/colloquia>.

25-29 6th International Learning Analytics and Knowledge Conference

LAK16 will keep up the momentum generated in earlier conferences to define who we are as a community and how our research can impact the important decisions facing education today.

University of Edinburgh, UK.

<http://lak16.solaresearch.org>.

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