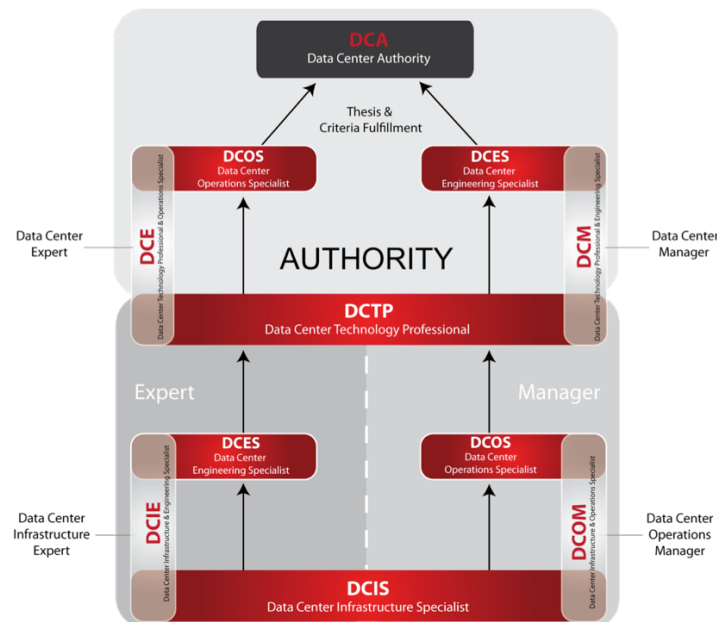


IDCA Launches COVID-19 Online Global Data Center and Cloud Pandemic Initiatives

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The International Data Center Authority (IDCA) has announced that in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic it has launched a series of online initiatives to keep the data center, cloud, AI, IoT, information technology community informed, safe, and connected.

In precedence, IDCA has moved all of its professional training, certification, and educational programs on online platforms where professionals can now continue to advance their data center and cloud skillsets from their home. All sessions are live lectures with the possibility to interact with the lead instructors, ask questions, solve class problems, and even conduct group case studies. As the premier provider of data center and cloud training and certification programs worldwide, IDCA has made this move early on at the outbreak of the novel virus (COVID-19) in early March 2020. Through the robust programs, professionals can start from Data Center Infrastructure Specialist (DCIS)® or Cloud Infrastructure Specialist (CLIS)® and advance to Data Center and Cloud Operation Managers (DCOM® and CLOM®) or Data Center and Cloud Infrastructure Experts (DCIE® and CLIE®) and even up to all the way up to Data Center and Cloud Authorities. Thousands of attendees from around the globe, now have access to IDCA's global calendar where they can attend the training course date, time, and subject that best suits them regardless of their physical location.



Additionally, IDCA had already issued the latest and most comprehensive industry standards framework, the Infinity Paradigm AE360®, whereby the importance of cohesive and harmonic interaction of infrastructure, people, and disciplines of the Application Ecosystem® was prescribed as vital. With the COVID-19 outbreak, IDCA standards for perceiving the entire application delivery stack as one “ecosystem” has proven its merits more than ever.

Furthermore, IDCA has tapped into its rich resources across every industry and around the globe to bring live coverage and awareness as to the developments, precautions, and key takeaways for pre, during and post COVID-19 pandemic by launching a series of diverse, consistent and informative webinars free to the public, whereby key industry topics concerning “Data” Center, Cloud, Data Rights & Privacy, Telecoms, AI, IT & Cybersecurity will be discussed and analyzed.



The 1st Global Data Center COVID-19 Pandemic Webinar was launched on April 7th, 2020 with 13 panelists and guest speakers and a record-breaking number of participants from around the world. IDCA Chairman, Mehdi Paryavi, at the commencement of the webinar stated, “The world has not been shocked socially, economically and morally to this extent since the World Wars. Who knows maybe this is the 3rd world war, but instead of fighting against one another, we fight for each other, against a common enemy.”



“This virus knows no race, gender, age, ethnicity, social or economic status. It does not differentiate among us by the color of our skin, by our social or political standing, nor our belief system. Maybe just maybe it is teaching us something, as well,” Paryavi concluded.

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