Software Technologies Distinguished Lecture Series at FGCU

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Southwest Florida has to be put on the map as the region where software is being developed. At the first glance, this statement may sound surprising and unwarranted, but has anyone looked into the state-of-the-matter? I did, and what I found out was a whole array of companies that consider software as their primary line of business. Their products vary from traditional enterprise and business software, to a variety of Internet applications, to mobile networking, speech recognition and robotics.

The objective of this series of lectures, organized jointly by FGCU and the Economic Development Partners of Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties, is to spread out a word about the accomplishments of the local software related companies and increase their presence in the public perception. If anyone thinks about the increase of high tech, high wage jobs in the area, which would contribute to the growth of local economy, this is the surest way to go – promote the expansion of software industry.

If you are software or IT professional, you just cannot miss these lectures. If you are a student of any computing or IT program at the college level, you must come to learn about the hottest topics in software development, which may shape you future career. If you are in high school and interested in computers, attending the lectures will broaden your view of computing and help you take the optimal decision on choosing the right professional path. If you are just a member of general public, this is your chance to get educated on the role of software in a contemporary society and the new developments happening right here on your backyard.

We expect that this series of lectures will bring together the community of all those interested in computing and will directly or indirectly contribute to increasing the awareness how software technologies are viewed in the public eye. We are also hoping that via these lectures we will give broader exposure to the FGCU's Computer Science program, whose students are the life blood of these companies and who have already proved their expertise by qualifying to the Top Ten of the IEEE Computer Society international student website design competition in two consecutive years, and are competing for local student leadership awards as well.