

## **Arlin Sorensen to Present Keynote Address at First-Every Online Conference for Small Business Consultants**

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“We are absolutely thrilled to have Arlin presenting at this conference,” said Palachuk. “He is one of the great thought leaders in the world of IT consulting, with influence that stretches from the heartland of America all around the world.”

Sorensen is the founder and CEO of both Heartland Technology Solutions and the HTG Peer Groups. Heartland Technology Solutions has seven offices in five states (Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma) and more than 75 employees. HTG is now comprised of 270 member companies throughout the U.S., Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom.



Sorensen sits on advisory panels and groups for many major IT companies and organizations. He has been influential in the evolution of the managed services model of IT support as well as licensing programs and product develop for many companies. Sorensen is always on the “short list” of influential people in small business IT consulting.

Sorensen’s topic is Your CEO Transition Plan. “This is a critical element of running a successful business,” says Sorensen. “So many IT companies have put off making transition plans. And as we’ve seen several times in the last year, such plans can be critical to the survival and value of your business.”

Other conference speakers include Bob Godgart and Dave Sobel. Bob Godgart is the Chairman of the Board of CompTIA, the Computing Technology Industry Association. He is the founder of ChannelEyes, and the past founder, CEO, and Chairman at Autotask. Godgart describes himself as a “serial entrepreneur” and has started four technology companies that grew into market leaders over the last 25 years. Sobel is the author of *Virtualization: Defined*, one of the first books ever written on virtualization strategies for small business. He is also one of the first Microsoft MVPs (Most Valuable Partners) for Hyper-V, Microsoft’s platform for virtual environments.

The conference is “virtual” (online only) and will run 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM each day on June 26-28, 2012. Attendees can choose to listen live or also have access to the recorded sessions. In

all, the conference will broadcast eighteen hours of programming in three days. Conference Platinum sponsors include ConnectWise and LabTech.

To learn more about Managing for Success 2012, visit [www.smbonlineconference.com](http://www.smbonlineconference.com).

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### **About HTG Peer Groups**

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