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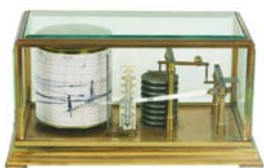
Industry news, new products and product update:

Industry News: Surprise move -- Datamonitor acquires Ovum; Informa rejects bid from Springer; FT considers merging two divisions; China book wins Book of the Year award; FAST garners top award

New Products: Fairfax introduces products but removes content from Factiva; Interfax ranks Russian banks; EU transparency regs -- FT can help!

Product Update: Capital IQ adds detailed ownership data; Mixing Factiva sales data with Microsoft Virtual Earth; Corporate governance info beefed up on Alacra; SkyMinder brings in more Asian content with new partnership; Down to analysis with FT Interactive Data

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By Pam Foster



It's been an exciting few weeks in the *VIP* editorial office as we have put together this unique issue of *VIP*. For the first time, we've invited well known individuals in the information sector to share their thoughts on how 2006 has shaped up and what 2007 has in store. It's a real honour to be able to bring these thoughts directly to you in the first of what we plan to be annual event – *VIP's Industry Overview*.

Our 2006 *Industry Overview* includes what we believe to be six important and relevant articles:

- How information professionals can grow their skill sets by thinking strategically and adopting the mindset of an executive, by Janice Lachance, Chief Executive Officer of the Special Libraries Association
- Where the information industry is heading in 2007 in terms of growth, revenue and market dynamics, by Leigh Watson Healy, Chief Analyst, Outsell
- A warning from Jonathan Gordon-Till, KM consultant and founder of Oxford Business Intelligence, on how intranets are often the tool of corporate communicators rather than that of knowledge managers and infopros
- Effects of Web 2.0 in shaping how users interact with online information, by Leigh Dodds, Engineering Manager for the IngentaConnect web site and a freelance writer
- Current and future models for aggregated content and what this means for both traditional and new media companies, by Pam Foster, Editor of *VIP*
- New mobile and multimedia research tools to look out for, from Gary Price, Director of Online Information Resources at Ask.com and the founder and chief editor/compiler of ResourceShelf. As usual Gary has his finger on the pulse when it comes to alerting us as to which new companies we should be watching

Have we got it right? Are these the sort of issues that interest you and your colleagues? Please let me have your feedback or, better still, why not drop-by the FreePint stand (No. 122) at Online Information later this month and let me know what you thought of this special issue. I look forward to seeing you there.

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