

### This Week:

- **New Competency Groups on the Horizon**
- **Application Rationalization Underway**
- **Illinois Digital Government Summit**

### New Competency Groups on the Horizon



Three new competency groups have been launched to engage DoIT employees across agencies with expertise in specific focus areas. These include: CRM, Forms Automation and Java. Those interested in participating are encouraged to visit the [DoIT Application Development Portal](#) and click on the Competency Group(s) you are interested in and join by using the “Competency Group Member” tab. Additional competency areas are coming soon. Contact [Johnny.Cox@illinois.gov](mailto:Johnny.Cox@illinois.gov) with questions.

### Application Rationalization Underway

Over the next 12 weeks, the DoIT team will be completing an assessment and beginning the “rationalizing” of our enterprise portfolio of applications. The goal in this first phase is to determine which applications need to be retained, retired, re-designed or re-platformed by aligning them with their business value and cost. To understand more about the effort, click [here](#).



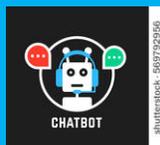
### Illinois Digital Government Summit



DoIT had a significant presence again this year during Government Technology’s annual Digital Summit. Kirk Lonbom, Acting Secretary and Mike Wons, Chief Technology Officer, helped kick off the 18<sup>th</sup> annual event, reviewed progress to date and introduced some central themes that would resonated in breakout sessions and panel discussions. Thank you to everyone who shared their expertise and contributed to many productive discussions. Please connect [here](#) for presentations shared in the two-day session.

### DoIT FYIs & Reminders

Referred to as “Fall Back” or “Winter Time”, Daylight Saving Time is used in over 70 countries and affects more than 1 billion people. Most Americans will get some extra snooze time by setting their clocks back an hour on Sunday, November 5th at 2 a.m.



We are excited to announce that a Chat Bot Hackathon will be held on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> to build hands-on experience utilizing artificial intelligence and machine learning. Link [here](#) for more information.