



**Got the knowledge?** This issue is packed with ways to get your hands on the very latest from CICS, plus updates to help you stay in the know...

### Get hands on with our very latest...



**Announced today: the CICS Transaction Server V5.2 open beta**

The new [CICS TS V5.2 open beta](#) shows how new workloads, such as those driven by mobile devices, can be quickly and efficiently incorporated into existing CICS systems. The open beta program opens on **Feb 24** - give it a go, stay ahead of the game, and provide us with important early feedback!



**Preview available now: IBM PD Tools for Multiplatforms V1.0**

Wouldn't it be lovely if you could unify the skillset needed to manage all of your platforms onto a single tool? Soon the dream may become reality, with IBM PD Tools for Multiplatforms V1.0 - try this new [technical preview](#) for a taster, and let us know what you think!

## Education updates...



### The genuine article...

If you fancy finding out more about the new stuff in our latest runtime release, CICS TS V5.1, check out this new article in the latest edition of Enterprise Tech Journal: [CICS Version 5.1: Faster, Bigger, Better](#).

It's the final piece in a three-part series, so check out the other parts too if you haven't read them yet!

Part 2: [CICS V5.1: Taking Your CICS Applications to a Higher Level](#)

Part 1: [CICS V5.1: Delivering a Portfolio to Power the Platform](#)



### The gateway to more...

We have some fresh new publications out about the latest release of CICS Transaction Gateway...

**Article:** [CICS Transaction Gateway V9.0: Handling the Demands of the Modern Enterprise](#) - read all about it in the Enterprise Tech Journal, in this piece from Paul Crockett, CICS TG tech expert.

**Podcast:** In the latest [podcast](#) in our series, Andrew Smithson, CICS TG technical specialist, focuses on the enhancements in CICS TG V9.0.



### CICS V5.1 - some great how-tos

We've been busy making some updates to [IBM Education Assistant](#), bringing together lots of lovely how-to guides to using various CICS TS V5.1 features... have a look and leave your feedback on the page to let us know what you think, and what else you would like to see!



### Change is coming: IBM Knowledge Center

From March 2014, IBM Knowledge Center will be the new home for IBM product documentation, including CICS docs! You can explore [the live version](#) for yourself today. We hope you'll enjoy using it - as we are still in transition there might be the odd glitch as we continue to migrate content, and the search is not yet fully indexed, but it will definitely give you a flavour of things to come. Let us know what you think via this [feedback form](#)!



### A fabulous four: new IBM education providers

In case you hadn't heard already, IBM has moved to a new [global training model](#) driven by four carefully selected business partners. Read on to find out more...

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## And finally...

CICS will of course be well-represented at this year's Impact conference, and we're busy perfecting lots of interesting CICS-related sessions for you. If you're thinking of going, make sure you [register](#) before **Feb 21** to get the \$300 early bird discount!

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