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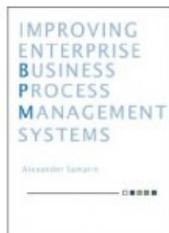
BREAKING NEWS There's a lot of excitement at taraneon at the moment, as we'll shortly be launching something quite unique. Be sure to check our [website](#) or the taraneon [blog](#) over the next couple of weeks to **find out what the excitement is all about**. Or follow developments via our new twitter account <http://twitter.com/taraneon>.

New in-house training programs in 2010

Building on the successful series of BPM workshops and trainings we started in 2009, the 2010 will see taraneon extend our training services to include in-house trainings ranging from workshops on selected process topics to comprehensive training programs. The in-house training catalogue will be available on the taraneon website from february.

New book on BPM Systems

Alexander Samarin has just published his new book on '**Improving Enterprise Business Process Management Systems**'.



In contrast to other publications on the topic which fail to evenly balance the business and IT aspects and tend put to readers off by either being too abstract or too technical, this book manages to successfully walk that fine line. Alex leads the reader from the basic premises of BPM as a business discipline to the development of an architectural framework which – as he says in the introduction – 'is not about how to make your products better, different or more attractive for the market place – this is for you to decide. What we offer is to help you reduce the overheads in doing so ...'

What we like about this book is that Alex has refused the temptation to use either business or IT as a simple alibi for the other. He clearly understands the business value of process management and the potential contribution BPM systems can make to support and even enable management. He also uses his practical experience to highlight and address problems many companies are facing in real life.

All in all, this is a very informative and well-written book for business and IT practitioners alike as well as for BPM novices and professionals. Due to the clever structure of the book and the many helpful illustrations provided, Alex takes the reader ever deeper into his chosen topic without running the danger of losing the reader. It is only at the end of the book the reader will notice how much information on BPM he has picked up. It is also an ideal book for readers who tend to start a book with the final chapter (No 13), which not only provides a great summary of the book but stands on its own as a concise description of the state-of-the-art of BPM.

Also out now is a new edition of the ‘**The Perfect Process Project**’ by Gary Comerford, this month’s guest contributor and fellow BPM Nexus member. This eBook will take you through the main problems with process type projects and help you understand real solutions to the key problems. More information on the eBook can be found [here](#).

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