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The Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Directors Of Human Resources And Chief Information Officers

FROM: Richard A. Whitford Acting Associate Director for Employn	ıent
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Subject: Public/Private Cooperative Session for Filling Critical Need Positions: Engineers and IT Professionals

OPM is pleased to invite you to the first in a series of Public/Private Cooperative Sessions to assist in fostering better communication between Federal agencies seeking critical hires and private sector entities representing specifically skilled individuals. This information session, to be held on November 16, 2001 will focus on engineers.

We have invited Mr. Gregory Junemann, the President of the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers (IFPTE) Union, to talk about the engineers that his Union represents. Many of these skilled professionals are currently facing layoffs from positions with the Boeing Corporation.

Many other private sector organizations are planning large-scale downsizing for the first time in several years. And, as many of us in the Federal human resources community know, many Federal government agencies are faced with the workforce planning challenges of an aging workforce and certain core skill deficits

This cooperative session presents us with a human capital opportunity-a chance to discuss our mutual needs with the potential to benefit the economic stability of our country. We are hosting the Session from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. on November 16, 2001, at the Theodore Roosevelt Building (TRB), 1900 E Street, NW. We will be meeting in the OPM Conference Center, Room 1350, on the First Floor (E Street Entrance side of TRB). Registration and networking will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Please notify the Employment Service Program Office no later than November 15, 2001, if you plan to attend. You may respond by email to mvculpep@opm.gov. If you wish to reply by phone, please contact Mike Culpepper at (202) 606-1642.

We look forward to your participation.