



Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment

Kshemendra Paul

On May 27, 2010, President Obama appointed Mr. Kshemendra Paul as the Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment. The Program Manager has government-wide authority to plan, oversee the build-out, and manage use of the ISE. Mr. Paul also co-chairs the White House's Information Sharing and Access Inter-agency Policy Committee (ISA-IPC). Further, Mr. Paul is a recognized leader across the public sector championing best practices for information sharing and access.

Mr. Paul brings a wealth of experience in developing and implementing government-wide information technology systems, standards, and architectures, as well as working with State and local officials on information sharing standards and architecture. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Paul served as the Federal Chief Architect in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) where he led Federal enterprise architecture (FEA) activities and chaired committees responsible for leading initiatives such as inter-operability across networks and databases used by front-line law enforcement, homeland security, military, intelligence, and diplomatic personnel nation-wide. Mr. Paul also led several successful Presidential directed government-wide initiatives that promoted innovation and transparency within the Government including Data.gov, the Federal migration to IPv6, and start-up work for Recovery.gov.

Mr. Paul began his work in the Federal Government at the US Department of Justice (DOJ) in 2005 where he served as Chief Architect. While at DOJ he led delivery and initial adoption of the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) across the national public safety, law enforcement, and homeland security sectors-an effort that has been highlighted as a critical component of the ISE's success. In this role he led efforts around data standards and inter-operability across federal, tribal, state, local, and private sector stakeholders.

He has been recognized by his peers for his work with NIEM and his cross government leadership helping agencies improve performance through the use of information-by Federal Computer Week as one of the Federal 100 in 2006 and again in 2009, with the Justice Management Division Collaboration Award in 2007, and by Computer World as one of the Premier 100 in 2008.

Before joining the Federal Government, Mr. Paul was Group Architect and Product Manager with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (previously NASD). Earlier in his career he worked in a variety of technology product and service companies in entrepreneurial, technology development and management, and leadership roles.



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Kshemendra received his M.S.E.E. (1987), B.S.E.E (honors, 1984), and B.S. (Mathematics, 1984) from the University of Maryland, College Park.