Panel 1

Database Management in the Year 2000: Projections, Predictions and Star Gazing

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Industry experts in database management architecture from three corporations involved in database technology will but forward their projections, predictions or intuitions about database management system architectures in the year 2000.

Specifically, the panelist will be asked to answer (or make comment on) the following general questions.

1. Will relational systems be the predominant type of database management system software in the year 2000? Or, will a new technology become predominant just as relational technology has subsumed hierarchical and network database technology in the past decade?

2. What are the new, major areas of application for database technology that must be met by the year 2000. What changes or enhancements are needed to relational systems in order to meet client requirements in the year 2000?