



BIOGRAPHY

JOHN PATRICK, DPA

For the past three decades, internet visionary Dr. John Patrick has been one of the primary forces driving technology innovation. As vice president of Internet technology at IBM, Patrick was at the forefront of the 1990's Internet revolution. Since his retirement, he has continuously advocated for the further integration of IT applications in business, education, and especially healthcare.

During Patrick's 35-year-long career at IBM, he helped develop the IBM Credit Corporation, which has since become the largest computer leasing company in the world. As Vice-president of marketing for IBM's Personal Systems Division, he oversaw the introduction of the iconic ThinkPad brand, IBM's intranet, and website, among several other web-related initiatives making IBM one of the earliest corporations to embrace the Internet.

At the same time, Patrick was collaborating with groups outside IBM to promote the development and security of the Internet for industry and consumer use. His diligent efforts secured standards in privacy for users and a minimal level of regulation on the part of the government, a precedent that many believe has been key to the undisrupted expansion and evolution of the Internet. Patrick was a founding member of the World Wide Web Consortium at MIT in 1994, a founding member and past chairman of the Global Internet Project, a member of the Internet Society, a senior member of the Association for Computing Machinery and a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

Businesses and non-profit organizations alike continue to seek his visionary outlook on new informational technologies and their potential to enhance engagement in education, business, and especially healthcare. Patrick has served on the boards of over 30 organizations, including a position on the board of a community hospital, which prompted his interest in the need to promote the adoption of new technologies in the medical industry.

He has been cited by *Business 2.0* as one of the IT industry's most intriguing minds, by *IndustryWeek* as one of the top 30 persons who drive innovations leading to economic growth, and by *Network World* as one of the 25 most powerful persons in networking. An updated edition of his hit book *Net Attitude* has recently been released and his latest book *Election Attitude* addresses how internet voting leads to a stronger democracy.

Patrick holds degrees in electrical engineering, management, law, and health administration. He lives in Danbury, Connecticut and Palm Coast, Florida with his wife Joanne.

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