

AFCEA International Announces Strategic Partnership with RFID4U

Free and Paid Radio Frequency Identification Courses Now Available Through AFCEA Professional Development Center

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FAIRFAX, VA – The AFCEA Professional Development Center (PDC) is pleased to announce a strategic partnership with RFID4U®, the world leader in Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) education, to offer online professional development courses.

The AFCEA PDC is excited to broaden its course offerings to AFCEA members and the IT community by partnering with RFID4U® to provide the following online courses and packages:

- RFID Technology Basics (Free Course)
- RFID and DoD/UID Compliance (Free Course)
- RFID+ Practice Exam: Test Drive (Free Course)
- CompTIA RFID+ Certification Package
- Zebra RFID eLearning Courses
- Asset Tracking using RFID
- RFID in Pharma
- RFID Solutions Building
- RFID in Apparel
- RFIDQ® on the Web

The free courses are available to AFCEA members and non-members. RFID Technology Basics helps students understand the fundamentals of RFID technology and provides an overview of RFID hardware, including different types of tags, tag frequencies, readers, and antennas. The middleware and EPC network and current mandates are also addressed. In RFID and DoD/UID Compliance, students will learn what unique identification (UID) is, how it is created, and which items must be marked with UID. It also discusses the RFID mandate, becoming an essential course for anyone who wants to learn more about the RFID policies and mandates the U.S. Department of Defense has posed on its suppliers.

The RFID+ Practice Exam allows students to test the Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA) Authorized Quality Curriculum-approved RFIDQ® Exam Simulator. The 90-minute exam is timed and graded like an actual exam. There will be a score report with a grade at the end of the exam.

The paid courses include a certification package, asset tracking, solutions building, and other industry-specific RFID training. Many offer course-labs that are based on highly interactive simulation and animation that provide a near real-world experience on the student's computer. Demonstrations and exercises are interactive and require high user participation. Course and package costs vary; AFCEA individual members receive a five percent discount on all courses. Reduced rates for active military/government students are available to members and non-members.

Details and course registration is available at www.teamrfid.com/afcea. As an introductory offer, the first five RFID500 certification package buyers will receive a CompTIA RFID+ voucher worth \$258 each.

About AFCEA International:

AFCEA International, established in 1946, is a non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry, and academia as an ethical forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, IT, intelligence, and global security. For more information, please visit www.afcea.org.

About the AFCEA Educational Foundation:

This non-profit Foundation promotes excellence in education primarily in two ways. The Foundation's Professional Development Center offers traditional course instruction as well as on-line courses in the fields of Command & Control, Intelligence, Communications and Networks, Systems Engineering & Architectures, Data and Information Assurance, Security and Management. For more information visit www.afcea.org/education/courses. The Foundation also presents scholarships, awards, grants and prizes to students studying the scientific and technical disciplines that support the information technology, communications, and intelligence needs of our military and national security agencies. In fiscal year 2008, the AFCEA Chapters and Educational Foundation together will award more than \$1.5 million dollars in scholarships and awards. For more information visit www.afcea.org/education/scholarships.

About RFID4U

RFID4U are global providers of RFID Knowledge, Education and Advisory Services with projects throughout the US, Europe and Asia. Their team of experienced consultants is industry recognized and consists of trusted Subject Matter Experts. They are known for their participation in major industry initiatives, authoring respected white papers, publishing best selling RFID books and speaking at major trade shows and industry events. RFID4U partners with the best RFID manufacturers, service providers, and laboratories throughout the world and uses cutting edge technologies to solve business challenges in all industry verticals. More information is available at www.rfid4u.com.

About CompTIA

The Computing Technology Association (CompTIA) is the voice of the world's \$3 trillion information technology industry. CompTIA membership extends into more than 100 countries and includes companies at the forefront of innovation; the channel partners and solution providers they rely on to bring their products to market; and the professionals responsible for maximizing the benefits organizations receive from their technology investments. For more information please visit www.comptia.org.

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