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The annual symposium unites the most influential practitioners, consultants, media and other experts who cover the tax and accounting profession, with the top technology vendors, to explore trends and events affecting the profession, as well as to help shape the future of technologies that professionals use. Attendees represent tax and accounting firms of all sizes from across the United States, and include several who have been honored by the American Institute of CPA's and other professional organizations.

"Public accountants are in the business of making other businesses more efficient and successful, a mission that has never been more critical than in today's economy," said *CPA Practice Advisor* Executive Editor Darren Root, CPA.CITP. "The *CPA Practice Advisor*'s Thought Leader Symposium connects influencers who have a direct understanding of the needs of practitioners and vendors who create technologies and services. Our goal with the Symposium is to identify and shape the technologies needed to advance the profession in the years to come." Root is also a practicing

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Advisor will name a new inductee into its Accounting Hall of Fame, an honor designed to recognize the ground-breaking achievements of individuals who have significantly contributed to the shaping of technology and workflow practices in the profession.

The Top 25 Thought Leaders for 2012 are: Greg Anton, CPA; L. Gary Boomer, CPA.CITP; Jim Boomer, CPA.CITP; Jim Bourke, CPA.CITP,CFF; David Cieslak, CPA.CITP; Gale Crosley, CPA; Chris Frederiksen, CPA; Michelle Golden, CPF; John Higgins, CPA.CITP; Tom Hood, CPA.CITP; Randy Johnston; Roman Kepczyk, CPA.CITP; Allan Koltin, CPA; Mark Koziel, CPA; Barry Melancon, CPA; James Metzler, CPA; Edi Osborne, Rick Richardson, M. Darren Root, CPA.CITP; Gary Shamis, CPA; Donny Shimamoto, CPA.CITP; Doug Sleeter; Brian Tankersley, CPA.CITP; Rick Telberg and Jennifer Wilson.

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