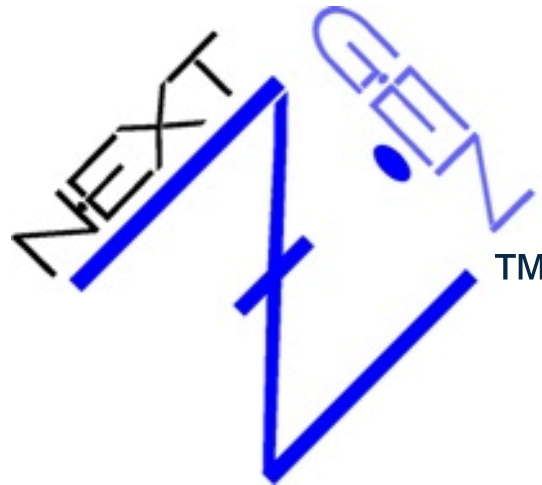




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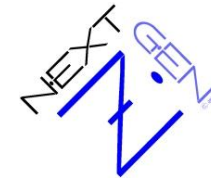
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# Meet the zNextGen team



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# zNextGen Project Opening Agenda



- zNextGen Overview and Updates
- Sessions and Special Events this Week
- Keynote

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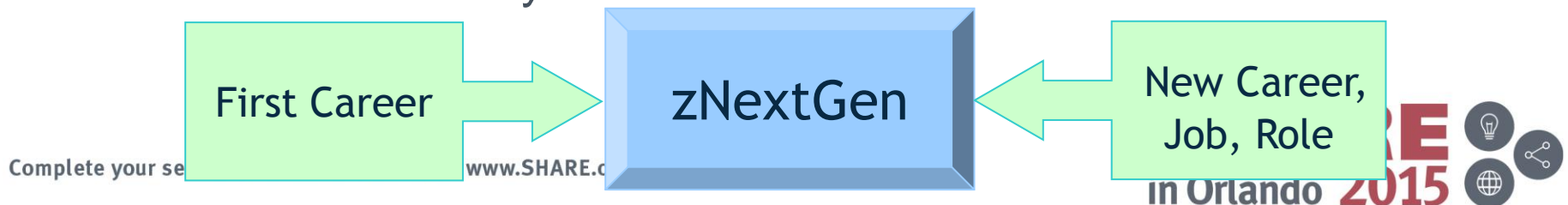


## – Mission

- Serve as the gateway for newcomers, to leverage the experience of mainframe veterans and to expedite our members' professional development in this crucial segment of the IT workforce

## – Geared especially around the needs of 2 professional segments

- Students just embarking on their careers in enterprise technology
- Established IT professionals expanding their responsibilities to include support and administration of mainframe systems



# What do we do at SHARE and beyond?



- Ensure a wide variety of entry-level sessions at the conference
  - zNextGen Project Sessions
  - zNextGen Track Label for other project's entry level sessions
- Provide newcomers with
  - a sense of community in the mainframe world
  - opportunities to network while at SHARE and throughout the year

# zNextGen Today



- Grown significantly since SHARE in Boston (2005)
- Over 1200 members!
  - Including newcomers and mentors
  - Representing about 190 companies and 25 countries!
- Project sessions at SHARE conferences
- Monthly calls with Guest Speakers
- Community infrastructure on SHARE website

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# We are growing!

- Become part of the zNextGen community
  - [Join zNextGen](#)
- Would you like to make a difference?
  - **Become a volunteer!**
  - Influence what we do
  - Share your talent
  - Send an e-mail to [warren.harper64@gmail.com](mailto:warren.harper64@gmail.com), Subject: *Volunteer*

# Orlando 2015 zNextGen sessions



## zNextGen project sessions

- **Tue 1:45pm** A Mainframe Security Rosetta Stone (**Oceanic 3**)
- **Wed 11:15pm** A New Model for Enterprise System Education (**Oceanic 3**)
- **Wed 1:45pm** Sysplex 101: Setting up a Sysplex (**Asia 4**)
- **Wed 4:30pm** SHARE Live!: History and Evolution of IBM Mainframes over SHARE's 60 Years(**Oceanic 4**)
- **Wed 7:00pm** zNextGen Project Networking Dinner Event
- **Thu 1:45pm** A Piece of Cheese? Interesting Mainframe Analogies (**Oceanic 3**)
- **Thu 3:15pm** Effective Use of the Internet for Mainframe Problem Solving (**Oceanic 6**)

## zNextGen track sessions

- sessions from other projects we believe are suitable for our audience, [“Browse by Track”](#)



# SHARE San Antonio 2016



- Free registration opportunity!!
  - Non-ISV (User) presentation
  - First time speaker

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## Special events

- zNextGen 10 Year Anniversary Celebration!
  - **Hospitality Suite 9110** on the 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Dolphin Resort
  - Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, **6:00 PM**
  - Birthday cake, refreshments, and networking to follow
- zNextGen Project Dinner!
  - **Rainforest Cafe**
  - Separate checks, price range \$20-\$30
  - **Everybody is welcome to join us!**
  - Please register at a sign-up sheet or send e-mail to **warren.harper64@gmail.com**, subject “zNextGen Project dinner”
  - You may meet us in the **Dolphin lobby** or the **Hospitality Suite 9110** at **7:00pm**

# Social Media



- #SHAREorg, @SHAREHQ
- #mainframe, #systemz
- List of active Twitter Accounts:
  - <https://twitter.com/SHAREhq/shareorg-engagement/members>
- SHARE Social Media Page:
  - [share.org/contest](http://share.org/contest)
- **SHARE Mobile App** (Apple Store and Google Play)
  - Search on “**SHARE Inc**”  
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## Keynote speaker

- John Hogan, SHARE past president
  - SHARE's 60th Anniversary: The Next 60 Years in Technology