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IT leaders believe that the current climate presents opportunities to do things differently. Change isn't new, but the pace of change in the next ten years is going to be breathtaking. The balance of power is shifting; emerging markets are becoming leading markets. Boundaries are blurring; companies are relying more than ever on the expertise and resources of a global ecosystem. Technology that was hype is becoming business as usual, playing for IT 'as you go' is becoming the norm. The workforce is changing; new recruits are bringing new ideas, new ways of working and their own state-of-art devices with them.

Keeping the IT environment current has always been a challenge for Corporate IT. Commoditization of IT and the speed at which new things are developing in the consumer space has made this a much bigger issue. CIOs are being challenged to provide flexibility and simplicity at costs which are orders of magnitude lower.

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It is forecasted worldwide IT spending to reach \$3.4 trillion in 2010, representing a 5.3% increase from IT spending of \$3.2 trillion in 2009. The research firm also points to hardware as a key driver to IT spending. For instance, worldwide computing hardware spending is forecasted to reach \$353 billion in 2010, a 5.7% increase from 2009.

CIOs and heads of IT functions have been fighting a battle to regain control of the IT landscape and the IT investment decisions. Typically this results in a fragmentation of IT landscapes, multiple technology deployments, shadow IT investment, islands of information and very high fixed costs of maintenance.

Typically IT budgets are greater than 90-95% spent on keeping the lights blinking and fixing faults, this in turn can lead to high operational costs within corporate [business](#) departments, for example purchasing and finance.

Over the last 20 years IT departments have found their bread and butter to be managing the data interfaces between mutually heterogeneous systems, this has to change, but How? The [CIO Europe committee](#) has been formed to combat modern day challenges.

With a new generation of CEOs who are embracing the strategic innovation of today's CIOs as business peers, now is the time to take a fresh look at the future. Any successful company must now engage with its customer using technology, it is now imperative that the CIO has a place on the executive

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