**THOUGHTS FROM THE DIRECTOR**

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As technology advances, the role of IT in higher education continues to evolve. The CINA in the Future webinar series aims to explore these changes through the perspectives of higher ed IT leaders, bloggers, podcasters and social media influencers in the higher education field. Below are 30 of the savviest higher ed IT influencers who are using EdTech to inform, engage and inspire their colleagues.

**RESEARCH**

CINA Research Student Awarded Fellowship To Support Research in Disrupting Human Trafficking Networks

CINA’s student research has just won a support fellowship on human trafficking. This fellowship will help the student to advance their research on human trafficking networks and develop new solution methods that account for the nuances of how trafficking networks operate. The student will use this opportunity to focus on their research and develop their career in the field of human trafficking. The fellowship will provide funding to support the student in attending conferences, publishing their research, and developing relationships with potential collaborators.

**NEWS**

CINA Welcomes 2020-21 Open RFP White Paper Submissions

CINA is now accepting open RFP white paper submissions for the upcoming 2020-21 fiscal year. This call for proposals is designed to support research that is relevant to the needs of law enforcement and other government entities, as well as experts in technology, policy, and academia. The aim is to foster multidisciplinary approaches to emerging science and technology as it applies to law enforcement and national security. The submission process is open to all interested parties, and proposals will be reviewed by a panel of experts in the field. Submissions must be received by the deadline of May 1, 2020, and will be reviewed for their potential to contribute to the advancement of law enforcement research and practice.

**DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES**

Event Brief: “Social Outlaws: What Network Data Tells Us About Gangs” with Martin Beaubouef

Join us for the most recent Distinguished Speaker Series event with Martin Beaubouef, who will be discussing the potential of network data to inform social and criminal justice policies. This session will cover the latest research on gang activity and the potential of network data to inform policy decisions. The event will be held on April 14, and is open to all interested parties.

**CINA NETWORK**

CINA PI, David Maimon Recognized as Influential IT Educator

CINA PI, David Maimon, has been recognized as an influential IT educator. His work has been widely recognized for its impact on the field of IT education, and his contributions have been instrumental in shaping the future of IT education. His work has been featured in numerous publications, and he has been a keynote speaker at numerous conferences. His influence extends beyond academia, and he has been a vocal advocate for the importance of IT education in today’s world.

**Save the Date! CINA Distinguished Speaker Series: Spring 2021**

Save the date for our upcoming Distinguished Speaker Series in Spring 2021. The series will feature a diverse range of speakers who will discuss the latest research and trends in the field of IT education. The series will be held on April 14, and is open to all interested parties. Visit our website to learn more about the series and to stay connected.

**CINA Welcomes 2020-21 Open RFP White Paper Submissions**

CINA continues to welcome white paper submissions presenting research or ideas that could benefit from the research products, other government entities with potential need for the research, and the commercial sector, as well as experts in technology, policy, and academia. The aim is to foster multidisciplinary approaches to emerging science and technology as it applies to law enforcement and national security. The submission process is open to all interested parties, and proposals will be reviewed for their potential to contribute to the advancement of law enforcement research and practice. Submissions must be received by the deadline of May 1, 2020, and will be reviewed for their potential to contribute to the advancement of law enforcement research and practice.