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**Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2015**

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### 1) **Tech Papers** - Publishing will restart in January 2015

Tech Papers publishing has been suspended for the Christmas holidays.  
Next paper will be published in January 2015 Newsletter.

The EPV Newsletters staff wishes you all a merry Christmas and a Happy  
New Year.



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## 2) Tech News – Upcoming conferences in 2015 in Europe

CMG-Italia

Spring seminar "Mobile Workload Charging", Milan and Rome, March 2015

More details at:

<http://www.cmgitalia.org>

GSE Region DACH GSE Region DACH (Germany, Austria, Switzerland)  
Annual Conference, Hamburg, 11-13 May 2015

More details at:

<http://www.gsenet.de/>

IBM

System z Technical University 2015, Dublin, 18-22 May 2015.

More details at:

<http://www-304.ibm.com/services/learning/ites.wss/zz/en?pageType=page&c=Q549350A81365Q21>

CMG-Italia

Annual conference, Milan and Rome, May 2015

More details at:

<http://www.cmgitalia.org>

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## 3) Tech Notes - Picture of the Month

EPV Newsletter format will change in 2015. One of the major changes will be the "Picture of the Month" section.

Every month we will invite Newsletter readers to send us a photo on a specific theme.

The editorial staff will choose the "Picture of the Month" to be published in the next newsletter and on the web site.

The winner will receive an Amazon voucher for 25,00 Euro.

In September we will choose the "Picture of the Year". The winner will be included in the EPV Pictures Hall of Fame.

He will also decide the ONG EPV Technologies will donate 1.000,00 Euro to, choosing from:

- MSF ([www.medicisenzafrontiere.it](http://www.medicisenzafrontiere.it)),
- TDH ([www.terredeshommes.it](http://www.terredeshommes.it))
- WWF ([www.wwf.it](http://www.wwf.it)).

The January 2015 theme is "Winter time, fun time".

Pictures should be in JPG or JPEG format at least 600 pixel in width. Please send your picture (only one picture per subscriber per month will be accepted) to [epv.info@epvtech.com](mailto:epv.info@epvtech.com) granting EPV Technologies the authorization to publish it.

The deadline is 20th January 2015.

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#### 4) Tech Support - All you wanted to know about SMF

Cheryl Watson and Frank Kyne, editor of Cheryl Watson's Tuning Letter (<http://www.watsonwalker.com/TUNING.html>), are working on a series of articles about SMF for Enterprise Tech Journal.

This is what they say in the last Tuning Letter ...

*This quite literally is everything you always wanted to know about SMF, maybe some things you didn't want to know about SMF, and proba-bly quite a few things that you didn't know that you didn't know about SMF. The first article, titled 'SMF: An Important Component of z/OS' appeared in the August/September Enterprise Tech Journal.*

*It covered:*

- *SMF Introduction*
- *Use of SMF Data*
- *Major Record Types*
- *SMF Flow*
- *SMF VSAM Data Sets*
- *SMF Logger*
- *SMFPRMxx Parmlib Member*

You can print the article at: <http://ourdigitalmags.com/publication/?i=222435>

A second part, "SMF: Exits and the Life of a Job", has been published in the October/November Enterprise Tech Journal.

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