# Why UXPA 2014 is a worthwhile investment

We know there's only so far your employee training and conference budget can go. That's true at any time, but especially in leaner economic times such as these. However, whether you're running an in-house UX department or managing a team at an agency that services many clients, you know how hard it can be to keep on top of emerging trends.

That's where UXPA 2014 comes in. This is *the* place to be for learning about best practices for user-centered product development, usability research, and real-world case studies. Your employee won't find a better place to learn about new ideas, tools and techniques. They'll return as stronger team members, re-charged and ready to share those new approaches and perspectives with colleagues and the business.

### Participants will:

#### Learn best practices from global UX experts

This year's conference features an incredible roster of experts from companies such as Google, Microsoft, Oracle, and IBM, companies that really know the value of designing amazing user experiences. With a choice of tutorials, collaborative sessions, presentations and panels, attendees are bound to build up their UX arsenal.

### Reinvigorate passion for their work

UXPA 2014 lets participants step off the project treadmill for a few days and reconnect with the passion that inspired them to become user experience professionals in the first place.

## · Build new relationships

UXPA 2014 is a truly international conference, which means your employee has the opportunity to meet UX practitioners from around the world. Perhaps they have solved similar pain points or project challenges you are currently facing.

Ask your employee to list the specific benefits they think their attendance will bring to your company (see "benefits worksheet" template). Perhaps this can be adjusted to meet the requirements and needs of the whole UX team. We also encourage you to set up a conference debriefing session, as soon as attendees return to work.

#### Get in touch

We hope you're convinced that UXPA 2014 is an amazing opportunity for your employee/s—and maybe even for yourself!

To see the full program and list of speakers, please visit uxpa2014.org.

And, if you have any questions you don't see answered on our website, please drop us a line: conf2014@uxpa.org.