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Welcome



Welcome to the **Demartek Lab Notes**, our monthly newsletter. This newsletter contains a few links to our recent lab evaluations, articles, and upcoming speaking engagements. In addition to a number of specific lab validation projects, we are continuing the **Demartek Deployment Guide** series, as you will see below.

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Demartek Deployment Guides

The **Demartek Deployment Guides** are a series of technical deployment guides designed to provide practical guidance for planning and deploying various computing technologies. These guides are intended for managers and technical professionals within IT departments of all sizes and for technical sales engineers at VARs and System Integrators.

The **Demartek Deployment Guides** are free for download from the Demartek website and are fully searchable by all the major Internet search engines. For example, enter "**iSCSI deployment guide**" in your favorite search engine, such as [Google](#), [Bing](#), or [Yahoo](#).

The five-minute [highlight video](#) describing the **Demartek iSCSI Deployment Guide 2011** is now available. This video provides highlights from this report, available in the [Demartek iSCSI Zone](#).



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The **Demartek Deployment Guides** provide basic information about the current technology, show how to deploy the technology in physical and virtual server environments, discuss best practices, and include separate sections for vendors of these technology products and solutions. Depending on the development cycle for the particular technology, roadmap items may also be included to help IT practitioners plan for the future.



Upcoming **Demartek Deployment Guides** will cover **SAS, SSDs, 16Gb Fibre Channel** and **FCoE**. Contact us if you would like to participate or have particular questions about these technologies.

Upcoming Speaking Engagements

Storage Decisions New York - September 19-20, 2011

Dennis Martin, President of Demartek, will present two sessions and will be available for consultation in the "Ask The Experts Zone". These sessions are:

- [Efficient Storage: Automated Storage Tiering](#)
- [Making the Case for Solid-State Storage](#)
- [Ask the Experts Zone](#)

Storage Networking World USA Fall 2011 - October 10-13, 2011

Dennis Martin, President of Demartek, will present one session and will moderate a panel at the Storage Networking World (SNW) Conference in Orlando, Florida.

- Monday, October 10, 9:20 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.: [I/O Virtualization - The Next Virtualization Frontier](#)
- Monday, October 10, 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.: [Advancements in Fibre Channel](#)

Storage Networking World Europe - November 2-3, 2011

Dennis Martin, President of Demartek, will present two sessions and will moderate a panel at the Storage Networking World (SNW) Conference in Frankfurt, Germany.

- Wednesday, November 2: [I/O Virtualization - The Next Virtualization Frontier](#)
- Wednesday, November 2: [Unified Storage Networking](#)
- Thursday, November 3: [Panel Discussion: FCoE - Fibre Channel over Ethernet](#)



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Top Ten Most Popular Demartek Pages and Reports

We have a feature on our website that lists the top ten most popular pages and reports for the last four weeks, updating every Monday morning. Here's how it looked on September 12:



1. [Demartek Presents Robocopy at March 2011 RMWTUG Meeting](#)
2. [Demartek iSCSI Deployment Guide 2011](#)
3. [Demartek Publishes Exchange Server 2003 vs 2007 vs 2010 I/O Comparison Summary](#)
4. [Demartek Storage Networking Interface Comparison](#)
5. [Demartek Publishes Evaluation of LSI WarpDrive Performance](#)
6. [Demartek SSD Zone](#)
7. [Demartek to Present at SNW Europe in November 2011](#)
8. [Demartek iSCSI Zone](#)
9. [Demartek Evaluation of Broadcom BCM957712-S 10 Gb Ethernet/FCoE/iSCSI Offload Adapter](#)
10. [Demartek Publishes Evaluation of LSI MegaRAID CacheCade Performance](#)

Be sure to check back every Monday to see which reports have been the most popular!

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If you are receiving this newsletter as a forwarded message from a friend or colleague, that's great, but we encourage you to get your own subscription. Be sure to follow the directions above. I'll see some of you at Storage Decisions New York next week!

Thanks,
Dennis Martin
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