

# Cognizant Softvision's Programmers' Week 2021 Closes with Product Fanfare and Record Numbers



*Seventh Annual Programmers' Week Featured Inspired Keynotes, Informative Tech Talks and Valuable Training for Developers and Software Engineers*

What began as a small event seven years ago to recognize International Programmers' Day in Cognizant Softvision's Romania studios has grown into a week-long global celebration for technologists around the world. Just like the theme, the numbers for this year's event 'Go Beyond':

- More than 130 Tech Talks across five days;
- 14 keynote speakers and panels;
- More than 11,000 attendees from 77 countries.

Designed to inspire global technologists to **Go Beyond** and be bolder and more creative, this year's Programmers' Week brought global developers and software engineers together to share new technology ideas and insights, and learn more about Cognizant Softvision offerings.

The event kicked off with a high-level panel discussion on the Future of Software. Moderated by Techonomy Editor-In-Chief David Kirkpatrick, and featuring executives from Cognizant and Cognizant Softvision, the panel dove into the future of work, the ongoing challenge to retain and recruit talent, and how software will play an even more critical role moving forward.

Headliners for the event were Space Exploration Engineer, Nagin Cox, and Aston Martin Cognizant Formula One Team CEO and Team Principal, Otmar Szafnauer. Cox addressed the importance of overcoming obstacles, especially when things don't go as planned, while Szafnauer spoke to an engaged audience on innovation and technology, and its impact on the future of racing.

Programmers' Week 2021 also featured a 'first-ever' product day, dedicated to product related discussions, demos and customer testimonials from Delta, Blue Triton, Concurrent and Boots UK. Cognizant CEO Brian Humphries kicked off product day with an introduction and reveal of [Game of Pods](#), a new platform that unifies the worlds of talent development and software delivery.

"We promised to deliver an inspirational and world-class event, and I think it's safe to say 'mission accomplished,'" said Andres Angelani, CEO, Cognizant Softvision. "All our speakers delivered invaluable information, insights and best practices. It was the first year we've leveraged the full resources of Cognizant, and it was a huge success. We have even bigger and better ideas for next year, and I can't wait for Programmers' Week 2022."

Learn more about Programmers' Week and view recordings from the event [here](#).

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