

# MID-RANGE MICHIANA USER'S GROUP

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**Thursday October 19, 2017**

Meetings begin at **12:00 noon EST** (South Bend Time). Lunch will be provided.

## The meeting will be held at:

### CIBER Innovation and Technology Center

4100 Edison Lakes Parkway

Suite 240

Mishawaka, IN 46545

## Lunch will be provided.

Please register for the meeting at [mrmug.org](http://mrmug.org) or email your reservation to Vicki Pawloski ([vpawloski@ciber.com](mailto:vpawloski@ciber.com)) with the names of those you are registering and the date of the meeting that you are going to attend.

## Topic – Roundtable discussion – Rational Developer for i

This month, MRMUG will be hosting a roundtable discussion October to discuss options to replace Applications Development Toolset, focusing on IBM Rational Development Tools for IBM i. Several MRMUG members who are currently using Rational Developer for i will lead the discussion with their experiences and answer your questions.

If you are using other alternatives to ADTS for your IBM i development, please come and share your experiences!

Why should you care?

IBM “stabilized” Application Development Toolset in V7R1 (a long time ago). “Stabilized” means that it has not been updated to include any added features & functions to match the updates made to the compilers in V7R2 and later (“another one bites the dust”). This fact and also the challenges that companies are facing to find and attract new development talent to maintain and update their software, is making it important if not imperative look closely at replacements for green-screen development.

Why Rational Developer for i?

IBM Rational Development Tools for IBM i is probably the best alternative for ADTS. It supports the new functions and features of Websphere Development Studio (compilers) and has a shorter learning curve for developers used to a GUI environment.

## Please note the following important information

**V7R1 was withdrawn from marketing on September 30, 2017**

**Support for V7R1 will end on April 30, 2018**

- Service Extension for V7R1 has not been announced yet.

**Support for V6R1 ended on September 30, 2015**

- Service Extension for V6R1 is available at an additional cost through September 30, 2018. Software Maintenance is a required pre-requisite for Service Extension.

**Extended support for V5R4 ends September 30, 2017**

- Support for V5R4 ended on September 30, 2013.
- Service Extension ends September 30, 2017.



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