

## A Global Perspective on Innovation - How are Governments Achieving It?

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### Speaker Biographies

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**MARK HOWARD** is the global lead for Accenture's public administration/regulatory industry group. His team focuses on helping clients implement leading practices, systems and organizational designs in government administrative and regulatory agencies. He spent four years as Accenture's global program director for government finance and performance management. His clients in the U.S. include cities, counties, states, special districts, universities and federal agencies. Overseas, he has worked with the French Ministry of Finance and several United Nations agencies. He helped develop and lead with Bill Kilmartin Accenture's participation in the performance benchmarking program of NASACT.

Prior to joining Accenture, Mark spent 10 years in city management in various roles with cities in Texas, Colorado and Wisconsin. He has a master's in public affairs from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas-Austin and a bachelor of arts in history from Northwestern University.

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**THOMAS SHACK III** was appointed the eighteenth comptroller of the commonwealth of Massachusetts on May 20, 2015. Created in 1922, the office is an independent overseer of the commonwealth's financial transactions, accountability and service delivery across all branches of state government.

Tom originally joined the comptroller's staff in 2012 as assistant general counsel and has served in several senior leadership roles, most recently as deputy comptroller and chief financial and operating officer.

Prior to joining the Comptroller's Office, Tom spent eight years as chief of operations, chief financial officer and a senior assistant district attorney in the Cape and Islands District Attorney's Office. He received his juris doctorate from New England School of Law in Boston and holds a B.A. in political science and an M.B.A. in entrepreneurship and management from The American University in Washington, D.C.

In the community Tom lectures extensively on legal, business and ethics related issues and is a former editor of the Massachusetts Law Review. He has taught at Boston University School of Law and is currently a lecturer-in-law at New England School of Law teaching business planning and is a long-term judge in Harvard Law School's Ames Mock Trial Competition for appellate advocacy.

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**BRIAN TINNEY** has served as the assistant director for the Washington State Office of Financial Management's Accounting Division since 2015. After spending two decades working in accounting for several large agencies in Washington, Brian knows the importance of serving customers. He knows that providing accurate and timely information allows for better decisions and better government. He graduated from Washington State University with a bachelor of science degree in economics.