

Indirect tax – shifting the paradigm

Paul Brindle, Thomson Reuters



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Welcome to this August 2014 edition.

This month, two big questions for your accounting practice. If you're at the big end of town and running a multi-national organisation, how compliant are you with your indirect taxes? Because according to Paul Brindle of Thomson Reuters, many companies are struggling with the rules, and unaware of the losses they're incurring. You'll be interested to hear what Paul has to say on the issue.

Then, whether you at the big or smaller end of town, you'll probably share the view that updating or replacing your technology is going to be a costly pain in the neck. In fact, according to Sam Allert of Reckon, most accounting firms will do all they can to avoid changing their technology systems. Sam looks at the process, when and why an overhaul becomes necessary, and how to make the process easier all round.

On a separate technology issue, we raise some warnings about malware, which can infect your computer systems and bring your business crashing down. Sam Gilbert from IT solutions company Caramel discusses two particularly nasty forms of malware – ransomware and CryptoLocker. You want to avoid them both and Sam will tell you how.

The new anti-bullying rules have been in place since the start of this year. They're broader and harder to interpret. What would you do if you suddenly received an anti-bullying application, out of the blue from the Fair Work Commission? Workplace lawyer Joydeep Hor spells out the new rules and how to avoid being subjected to court action.

Also on the program, our regular tax expert Michael Jones looks at self-managed super funds and property, we have our regular sharemarket update as we head towards another reporting season, and we end the program with a little business etiquette. Anna Musson of the Good Manners Company has a lot to say about good manners. They are free, she says, and they'll also make you money.

Plenty to think about this month. Enjoy!

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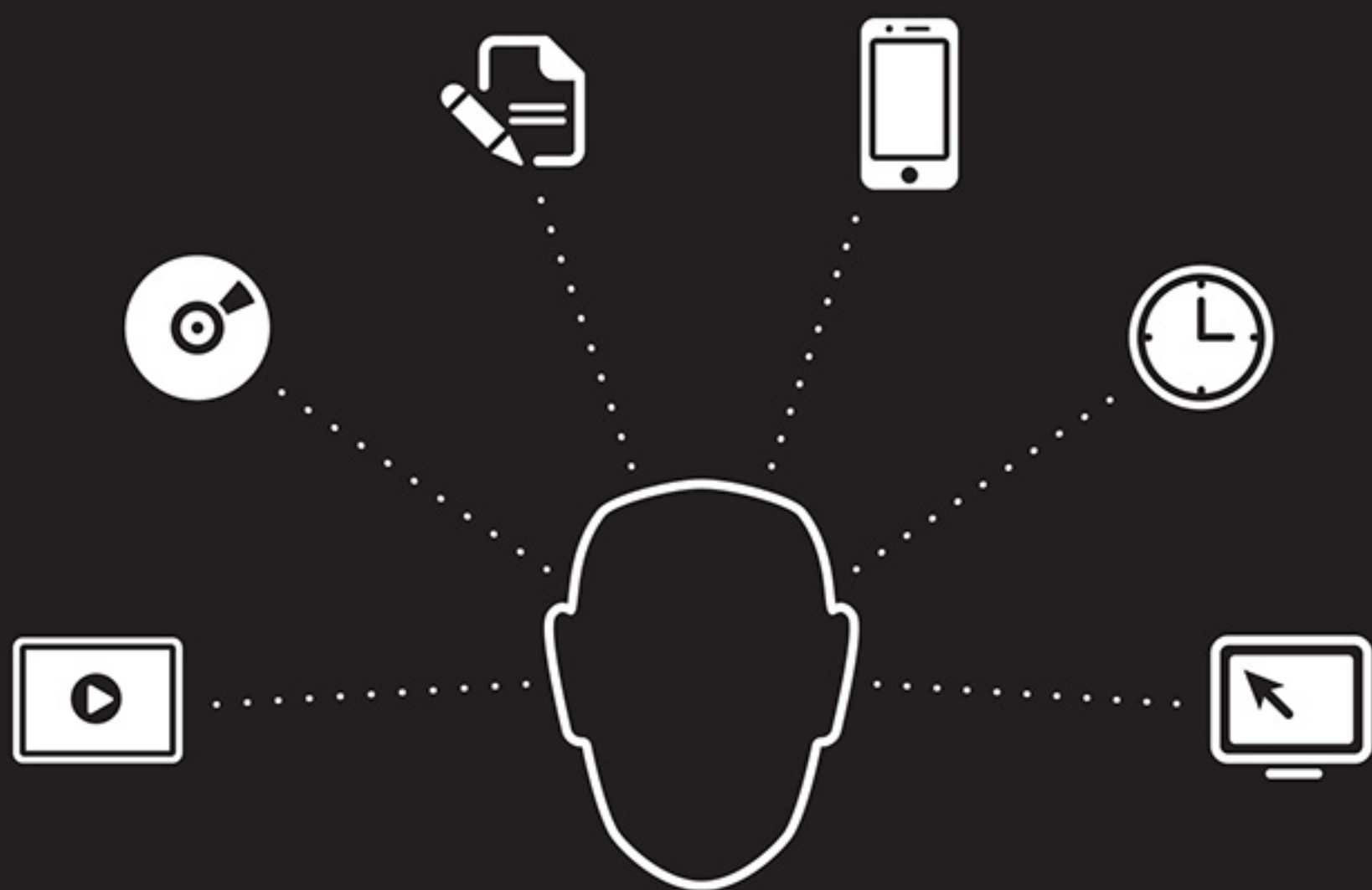
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