File 20100701.2210: I estimated for Kevin that the cost of certifying a new IASAE Level II or III developer is \$7000 (salary plus training plus exam). Multiplied by the number of developers, that is almost the fully burdened annual cost of one software developer, given the size of a typical CDS development programme. There are fewer than 1200 IASAE-qualified personnel in the country right now.

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