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9.00 am – 9.10 am

Welcome Address

Koh Chin Beng
President, Board of Governors, IIA Singapore

9.10 am – 9.30 am

Keynote Address: State of the Internal Audit Profession

Sally-Anne Pitt
Chair, Global Board of Directors, The IIA

9.30 am – 10.00 am

Fireside Chat with Sally-Anne Pitt, Chair, Global Board of Directors, The IIA

Moderator:

David Toh
Governance, Risks and Compliance & Internal Audit Leader, PwC Singapore and Governor of IIA Singapore

10.00 am – 11.00 am

Panel Discussion: Creating Sustainable Value with Good Governance & Control

Sustainable value - value that can last over time - is a goal every organisational leader strives to achieve. However, it cannot be achieved through “growth” at the expense of the environment, stakeholders and risk management. Focusing on sustainable growth through effective risk management can deliver exceptional risk-adjusted returns. How does internal audit enable an organisation to optimally manage its resources, especially during disruption? Can identifying and managing risks capitalise on opportunities for growing value? How do organisations address regulation changes, especially ESG, to stay relevant?

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David Toh
Governance, Risks and Compliance & Internal Audit Leader, PwC Singapore and Governor of IIA Singapore

Panellists:

Brian Ho
Sustainability Reporting Advisory Committee Member and Partner, Sustainability and Climate Assurance Leader, Deloitte

Rajeev Kadam
President and Global Head, Internal Audit, Olam International Limited, Singapore

Max Loh
Treasurer, Governing Council, Singapore Institute of Directors

Mak Yuen Teen
Professor (Practice) of Accounting, NUS Business School, National University of Singapore

Ong Wei Han
Managing Director and Senior Country Business Manager (South & Southeast Asia), JP Morgan

Sunil Puri
Senior Vice President, Research & Engagement, Stewardship Asia Centre



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11.00 am – 11.30 am

Morning Coffee Break

11.35 am – 12.35 pm

Session 1A: The Impact and Future of Audit Innovation in the Digital Era

Audit innovation involves adopting and utilising various technologies to streamline procedures and improve quality. This includes using data analytics (DA), artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning (ML), and robotic process automation (RPA) to automate repetitive tasks, analyse large volumes of data, identify anomalies, and gain deeper insights. Can innovation in audit practices keep pace with the rapidly changing business environment and the increasing complexity of financial transactions? How can internal auditors leverage technology? How do internal auditors conduct ongoing assessments, promptly identify potential issues, and provide proactive recommendations for improvement?

Speaker and Moderator:

Shawn Leong
Chief Commercial Officer, Handshakes

Panellists:

Dr Magda Lilia Chelly
Managing Director, Chief Information Security Officer
Responsible Cyber Pte Ltd

Michael Silitonga
Head of Internal Audit, Grab

Rajesh Sreenivasan
Partner and Head of the Technology, Media & Telecommunications Law Practice, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

Colin Wan
Chief Operating Officer, Group Internal Audit, Standard Chartered Bank

Session 1B: Elevating Performance - Making the Leap to Advanced Analytics for Results

The field of internal audit is evolving, and leveraging advanced analytics is increasingly essential to enhance performance and deliver meaningful results. This session explores the benefits, challenges, and strategies for internal auditors to effectively utilise advanced analytics. Valuable insights and practical guidance will be provided to internal auditors seeking to harness the power of data analytics for efficiency, effectiveness, and value. What are some real-world examples of how advanced analytics has transformed internal audit practices and delivered measurable results? How can organisations address data quality and availability issues that may affect the effectiveness of advanced analytics?

Speaker and Moderator:

Robert Luu
Regional Vice President, Customer Success, Asia & Japan, Diligent

Panellists:

Vijey Ananda
Partnership Director – Asia, EverEdge

Andeed Ma
President, Risk and Insurance Management Association of Singapore (RIMAS)

Ruby Rouben
Director – Head, Risk Assurance, In.Corp Global

Bernard Tan
Director, Internal Audit, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, Asia Pacific

12.35 pm – 1.45 pm

Lunch



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1.50 pm – 2.50 pm

Session 2A: ESG and Internal Audit - How to Avoid Greenwashing in Corporate Sustainability Reporting?

With the rise of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) considerations and changes in the regulatory framework, organisations are increasingly focused on corporate sustainability reporting. However, "greenwashing", the misleading or deceptive practices of presenting an organisation as more environmentally and socially responsible than it truly is, has become a growing concern. This session explores the role of internal audit in preventing greenwashing and ensuring accurate and credible corporate sustainability reporting. It will address challenges, best practices, and strategies for internal auditors to assess, monitor, and verify ESG disclosures and commitments effectively.

Speaker:

Francis Wan
Partner, PwC Singapore

Moderator:

Sammie Leung
Partner, Regional ESG Services, Asia Pacific, PwC

Panellists:

Ang Shih-Huei
CEO and Co-founder, Klareco Communications

Edward Chang
Founder of Origin Equity Partners and
Managing Director, The Spectrum Solutions Group

Simon Ong
Chief Audit Executive, Knowles Corporation and
Treasurer of Board of Governors of IIA Singapore

Clarisse Simonek
Executive Director and Founding Partner, WeESG

Session 2B: The Future of Internal Audit in the New Economy

The future of internal audit relies on technology and human resources. This session focuses on the human aspect, exploring challenges internal auditors face and the evolving skills, talent management, and development needed. It will address barriers and opportunities for internal auditors' growth within organisations. How has the demand for technological literacy, data analytics, and strategic thinking impacted internal auditors' skillsets? How can internal audit attract and retain diverse top talent, with varied expertise? What strategies help internal auditors become trusted advisors and change agents?

Moderator:

Edmund Heng
Partner, Digital Trust, Advisory, KPMG in Singapore

Panellists:

Melissa Aw Yong
Head of Internal Audit, SPH Media Limited

Vincent Cheong
Head, Group Audit, UOB

Evan Law
Assistant Chief Executive, Industry Development &
Engagement Group, ACRA

Ishan Sen
Head of Internal Audit & Controls, Bridgestone Asia
Pacific Pte. Ltd.

Andrea Wong
Managing Director, Robert Half

2.50 pm – 3.30 pm

Warning Signs of Fraud and Corruption – Is your Organisation Vulnerable to Corruption?

Fraud and corruption pose significant organisational risks, impacting reputation, financial stability, and integrity. This session highlights the warning signs of fraud and corruption within organisations and explores strategies to identify vulnerabilities and strengthen anti-corruption measures. What are some real-world examples of fraud and corruption cases that have had a significant impact on organisations? What are the common warning signs and red flags that indicate the presence of fraud and corruption? How can organisations proactively identify and monitor these warning signs within their operations?

Speaker:

Dr Sarjit Singh
Chairman, Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand Singapore Overseas Regional Council and Senior Advisor,
Deloitte SEA



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3.30 pm – 4.00 pm

Afternoon Coffee Break

4.00 pm – 5.10 pm

Rethinking the Role of Internal Audit - Moving Beyond the "Corporate Police"

Traditionally, internal audit has been seen as the "corporate police" or compliance enforcer in organisations, which presents challenges and risks. In reality, many internal auditors are assigned responsibilities related to corporate investigations. Why is internal audit perceived as the "corporate police" in organisations? What are the potential negative consequences of this perception on the effectiveness and value of internal audit? How does the perception of internal audit as the "corporate police" hinder its strategic contribution to the organisation? What steps should internal audit functions take to avoid these pitfalls?

Moderator:

Ho Tuck Chuen

Adjunct Associate Professor, Accounting and Finance, NUS Business School, National University of Singapore

Panellists:

Shawn De Gracias

Director, Internal Audit, Global Retail, Starbucks Coffee Company

Goh Chin Yee

Group Chief Financial Officer, OCBC Bank and Vice President of Board of Governors of IIA Singapore

Dennis Lee

Partner, Business Consulting, RSM Singapore

Sally-Anne Pitt

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5.10 pm – 5.20 pm

Closing Address by Conference Chair

David Toh

Governor of IIA Singapore