

# President's Message

## Rising Above the Pandemic

The IIA 2021 International Conference is finally here! After more than a year of preparations, the event kicks off in less than two weeks' time. The event - 14 to 18 June - will bring together experts from across the globe to address the issues impacting the internal audit profession, provide networking opportunities with fellow internal auditors from 100+ countries, facilitate idea sharing and the opportunity to earn up to 18 CPE credits. Check out the print advertisement that was published in The Business Times on 31 May 2021 [here](#).

Participants of the virtual International Conference can also look forward to unique experiences specially curated for them, including a multicultural dance battle featuring the four cultural dance moves of Singapore's Malay, Chinese, India, and Eurasian communities; live cultural tours at Waterloo Street; and a tour of a coffee roasting factory. If you have not yet had a chance to register, there is still time to reserve your virtual seat [here](#) now.

We also have another milestone to share on virtual events. We are proud to share that we have provided more than 30 webinars covering the latest trends and topics on a complimentary basis to our members in FY2020/2021. Our collaboration with other IIA Affiliates such as IIA Australia has also benefited members who can partake in their webinars on a free of charge basis.

As the annual membership renewal date of 30 June 2021 approaches, we ask for your continued support to be your professional development partner at every stage of your career by renewing your membership [here](#).

As businesses are affected by the ongoing pandemic, jobs and skills will have to be updated to remain relevant. So please continue to refresh your skills and competencies with our [online learning](#), comprising workshops and webinars. All of us can take heart that the Covid-19 restrictions and measures are just temporary - but grit and resilience coupled with innovation and transformation are what it takes to rise above the pandemic.

In the meantime, please do stay safe and healthy. We look forward to seeing you virtually at the IIA 2021 International Conference!

**Yours sincerely**  
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