

President's Message

Looking Ahead with Determination and Focus

I trust that you have been keeping well as we celebrated Chinese New Year differently but safely. In this new year, the Institute remains committed to enhancing our value proposition to our members.

Already, we have put in place three major programmes and events that will put us in a good position for the road ahead. In my message last month, I briefly mentioned about the IIA Global 2021 International Conference that is the culmination of the Institute's efforts since 2017 to bring to Singapore this premier training and networking event for internal audit professionals worldwide. Here, our aim is to provide you with the latest tools and knowledge that will help you build resilience in your internal audit practices and thrive in challenging times. I am happy to share that registration for the conference is officially open. With the theme, "Scaling New Height", the five half-day (14 to 18 June 2021) virtual conference will present a world-class, insightful, solution-based programme led by global industry leaders and featuring relevant educational content focused on emerging technologies, the future of internal audit, and essential skills for the internal audit career path. As our valued IIA Singapore member, you stand to enjoy the exclusive Local Affiliate Early registration fee of US\$695. Special pricing is also available for groups of 10 or more by writing to international.conference@executivevents.com. Do remember to register early before the early bird offers end on 16 April 2021 (Eastern Time). Find out more and register here.

Formed in September 2020, our Young Professionals Working Group (YPWG) serves to represent and advocate the interests and needs of young internal auditors in Singapore. Organised and presented by members of the YPWG, the inaugural webinar is "Navigating a Budding Internal Audit Career". If you are aged 35 years and below and want to know how to reposition yourself to increase your competitive advantage, do set aside some time during lunch to catch the webinar on 14 April by registering here.

We are pleased to launch the second internal audit mentorship programme on 22 February 2021. With the 2021 Young Professionals Internal Audit Mentorship programme, we are providing an opportunity for IIA Singapore members - aspiring and seasoned internal auditors - to be part of a community that learns and gives back together. Mentors and mentees can apply <u>here</u>.

Certainly, there is much to look forward to in the coming months as we continue to work hard to support you in your professional development and career aspirations.

Yours sincerely Koh Chin Beng, CIA President The Institute of Internal Auditors Singapore March 2021