

## Commitment To Excellence

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I am deeply honoured to have been nominated as the new President of IIA Singapore at the 47th Annual General Meeting on 18 October 2023. I am dedicated to steering the Institute towards new horizons, building upon the strong foundation laid by my predecessors.

In navigating today's dynamic business landscape, organisations are confronted with multifaceted challenges, encompassing technological shifts, geopolitical dynamics, and, most notably, the urgent global issue of climate change. Internal auditors are uniquely positioned to assist in addressing these complexities. Our profession's emphasis on a risk and controls mindset, independence, objectivity, and business knowledge equip us to navigate with the organisations through the intricate web of risks, including those arising from climate-related factors. As stewards, internal auditors play an increasingly vital role in addressing the challenges of environmental responsibility in today's evolving landscape.

We aim to elevate the profession by working closely with the boards and other stakeholders. We will enhance our training programmes, strengthen knowledge exchanges, and cultivate the internal audit talent pipeline. This approach aligns with the IIA Singapore's steadfast commitment to serving our members' professional development needs and advancing the internal audit profession. I am particularly excited about the prospect of meeting members, gaining insights into your needs, and understanding how we can collectively drive improvements. Your perspectives and experiences are invaluable, and I look forward to fostering an environment of collaboration and learning.

To kick off this engagement, I encourage your attendance at our upcoming networking events on [7 December 2023](#), organised by IIA Singapore Young Professionals Working Group (YPWG) for young professionals, and on [18 January 2024](#), to celebrate the new year. These gatherings offer excellent opportunities for us to connect, share knowledge, and collectively contribute to the success of our profession.

I look forward to embarking on this journey with you, with a dedicated focus on serving our members and advancing the excellence of our internal audit community.

**Yours sincerely**

**Stephen Ching**  
**President**  
**The Institute of Internal Auditors Singapore**