Professional Certification Breakfast & Information Seminar

The Annual Professional Certification Breakfast and Information Seminar are co-sponsored by the local chapters of the AGA, ACFE, IIA, & ISACA. As we cannot be together in person to share a delicious breakfast, we hope you will join us for a Zoom session to learn about:

- Various certifications available to accounting, auditing, finance, government, IT, and fraud professionals
- Benefits of obtaining one or more professional certifications
- Requirements for applying and earning professional certifications
- Exam details
- Maintenance/Continuing Education requirements

The seminar will give you a quick overview of the following certifications:
- Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM)
- Certified Internal Auditor (CIA)
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
- Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA)
- Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE)
- Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)
- Certification in Risk Management Assurance (CRMA)
- Certification in the Governance of Enterprise IT (CGEIT)
- Certification in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)

There will be presentations from each of the organizations about the benefits of obtaining professional certifications and the career paths you can take.


*By no later than Tuesday, February 23, 2021*

***The registration deadline is 2/23/2021***
Happy 2021! I hope everyone is healthy and looking forward to a good new year. It’s never too early to start earning CPE for the calendar year! Stay tuned for details of our upcoming online Technology Conference, a one-day event co-sponsored with the local chapter of ISACA covering a technology topic relevant to internal auditors. Plan to attend our virtual Certification Panel with representatives from ISACA, ACFE, AGA, and of course the IIA to talk about the certifications available to accountants and auditors. Certifications are a good way to stand out from your peers and to enhance your knowledge and skills for your daily work life.

Registration is open for TCTC online. While things might look a little different, we still have three training tracks with the quality speakers and low-cost CPE that you’ve come to expect from our biggest annual event. Stay tuned for details on other online training events coming up this chapter year.

We still hold our monthly board meetings online at 7:45 am on the second Tuesday of every month. We are planning our slate for next year’s Board governors and Chapter officers. We also have committee positions open. Reach out if you’re interested in becoming part of the local chapter of the IIA. And don’t forget – participation in the local chapter earns credit towards the cost of annual dues or local training for the following chapter year.

Best regards,
Sandy

IIA Webinars

The IIA offers free informational programs to its members on a variety of topics. Click here to obtain additional information and to register.

Using Technology to Elevate Environment, Health and Safety Audit in a World of Rising Risk
February 16, 2021
3:30 – 4:30 PM

With a global pandemic, accelerating climate change, and resulting workplace safety issues presenting audit teams with new challenges, technology will be key to the successful management of proliferating risks. Rapidly evolving tools like data analytics, RPA, and AI will increasingly become essential tools for internal audit teams. Experts from AuditBoard will cover trends in the development and implementation of these tools, and discuss how they will be integrated into internal audit workflows in the near future.

Learning Objectives

Attendees will…
IIA Webinars (Continued)

• Learn about emerging trends in data analytics, RPA, and AI.

• Find out how these tools can help internal audit manage today’s rapidly evolving risks.

• Learn best practices for implementing these tools into audit programs.

• Discover how these tools may develop in the future.

The Start Smart Advantage: New IIA Member Webinar
February 18, 2021
3:00 – 4:00 PM

Your new member experience should be valuable and meaningful, and we look forward to helping you engage at a higher level through a variety of relevant resources to enhance how you audit and provide impact to your organization. We’ll provide you with an overview of relevant resources and your full benefits, which include connections to your local chapter and global network of peers, standards, guidance, certifications, training, events, savings… and we’ll highlight why your IIA membership means more.

Learning Objectives

• Gain an understanding of the importance of career planning to career success.

• Explore components of a robust career plan.

• Learn how to chart your own course and build your personalized career plan.

• Identify ways to leverage The IIA’s Internal Audit Competency Framework™ as a foundation for career development.

Young Professionals Career Mapping & IIA Competency Framework
February 25, 2021
2:00 – 3:00 PM

The first of its kind—a webinar dedicated to emerging leaders in the profession. We’ll explore the value of career planning for young professionals in achieving career success. The speakers will share insights into an effective career plan’s components and examine how The IIA’s Internal Audit Competency framework can be used as a foundation for developing a career plan. Attendees will receive a Career Mapping Tool to help bring their goals in focus. Limited to age 35 and under.

Certification News
By Katherine Hogan, CPA, CIA, CFE, CRMA

February may be the shortest month of the year, but if you study a little bit each day you can still reach your certification goals! Did you know that the CRMA exam is the only risk management assurance certification for internal auditors? Did you also know that the CRMA exam is being overhauled and will have revised requirements to apply along with revised curriculum for the exam? The changes will take place mid-2021 (no exact date has been set yet), so if you’ve thought
Certification News (Continued)

If you are already in progress for a certification, online testing is still ongoing, so you don’t have to put your certification goals on hold while test centers remain closed. More information can be found on the Certification Online Proctoring page.

If you’d like more information on what certifications are available to you, or what requirements need to be met, the annual Certification Breakfast will be held virtually on February 25th. You will have to provide your own breakfast this year, but we will provide the rest, including all the information you need about why to get certified and how to get certified. There is no charge to attend, but you do have to register by February 23rd: Click here to register!

As always, if you have any questions about information in this article, or about IIA certifications in general, please feel free to contact me at Katherine.Hogan@nystrs.org.

Best regards,
Katherine

Membership Corner
By Christopher Herald, CIA, CGAP

Please join me in welcoming the following individuals to the IIA Albany Chapter:

Nicole Badalato
Maria Lisi-Murray
Jose Perez

Do you have some free time you’re looking to fill? If so, we always welcome additional assistance from our members. If you have thought about helping out our chapter but have been hesitant to do so, send me an email letting me know what you are interested in doing and we can see if it is something that will fit into your schedule.

Chris Herald
Membership Chair
oldsdoc@yahoo.com
## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
### 2020 — 2021

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### It’s your turn to speak

Don’t forget to report your speaking hours to

**Cristina Shord**

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