



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

We've had an excellent year so far delivering services to our members and advocating for the internal audit profession.

- Our **Advocacy team** engaged with educators and students at multiple post-secondary institutions, including the University of Manitoba winter career fair, to share about the opportunities in internal audit.
- We are connecting with local public officials as part of **IIA's Canadian Key Person Program (CanKPP)** to create awareness around the role and benefits of internal audit, introduce IIA Canada, and advocate for continued support for internal audit functions across the public sector.
- With the support our friends at ISACA and our **Membership team**, we enjoyed a fantastic **ISACA-IIA Holiday Mix & Mingle** in December. We are also excited to be introducing a **member discount for Becker CIA learning resources**. Be sure to look out for more information on how to take advantage of this discount.
- Our **Education team** has been diligent in delivering a variety of learning opportunities, including regular free-to-member webinar offerings and an in-person lunch and learn.
- You'll have noticed a new look for our events communications! Members of our team have been working hard to roll-out a new, improved events management and communication system.
- We have a lot to look forward to in the final months of the chapter year! Our Chapter's premier event—the IIA Winnipeg Annual Ethics & Fraud Summit—is happening on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We have a Virtual Workshop on Data Analytics set for April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026. And mark your calendars for our **AGM on May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026**, which will include lunch and a CPE session.

Be sure to check out the rest of the newsletter for more upcoming events, resources, and highlights of our recent work.

We have open positions on the Chapter board for 2026/27 - If you are looking to get more involved with the Chapter or have inquiries or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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### We are the IIA Winnipeg Chapter!

A proud member of the Institute of Internal Auditors since 1949, the Winnipeg Chapter has more than 250 members and is part of the global IIA community of more than 245,000 members.

IIA Winnipeg offers local training, education and networking via our meetings and events. For information on upcoming events and other news, visit our [Chapter website](#).



IIA UPCOMING EVENTS	
WINNIPEG CHAPTER	
<p>March 20, 2026 8:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Virtual</p>	<p>Virtual Ethics &amp; Fraud Summit 7.0 CPE (Ethics) - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>April 17, 2026 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Free for members</p>	<p>Virtual Breakfast &amp; Learn: Data Analytics Workshop 2.0 CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>May 29, 2026 Norwood Hotel Free for members</p>	<p>AGM and Education Session 1.0 CPE Mark the date – more information and registration to come!</p>
CANADA & INTERNATIONAL	
<p>March 19, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET Virtual</p>	<p>The Forgotten Frontiers: Why Satellites, Farms, and Physical Security Are Cyber's Next Battleground 1.0 CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>March 25, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET Virtual</p>	<p>Kindness as Infrastructure: Strengthening Ethical Auditing and Kind Communication in Governance 1.0 CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>April 07, 2026 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET Virtual</p>	<p>2026 Analytics, Automation and AI Virtual Conference 9.0+ CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>April 22, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET Virtual</p>	<p>Project Management Essentials for Internal Auditors: The Role of the Project Lead 1.0 CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
<p>May 19, 2026 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET Free-to-Everyone Webinar</p>	<p>Where the 3 Lines Meet: Collaboration Activities and Responsibilities 1.0 CPE - <a href="#">Registration</a></p>

**The IIA offers a variety of events focused on emerging issues in internal auditing. Check out upcoming [conferences](#), [events](#), and [free-to-member webinars](#)!**



## CONGRATULATIONS!



### CERTIFICATION NEWS

Congratulations to the following members who successfully completed an IIA certification!

**Certified Internal Auditor**

**Gagan Mahay**

**Certified Internal Auditor**

**Francis Aremu**

### MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following individuals who have been IIA Member for 25+ years (as of November 2025).

***Jon Lamb***

***Janice Martin***

***Omena Babalola***

We thank you for your years of membership. Cheers to many more!

Know of any internal audit professionals being recognized for excellence? Let us know so we can acknowledge them in our newsletter!

## MEMBERSHIP RESOURCES

### Key Risk Areas Shaping Internal Audit in 2026



As organizations become more interconnected and technology-driven, risk environments are evolving rapidly. Internal audit functions are increasingly expected to anticipate emerging threats and provide insights that help leadership stay ahead of disruption. Key risk areas expected to shape internal audit priorities in 2026 include cybersecurity risks linked to cloud adoption and third-party technologies, governance challenges associated with artificial intelligence, workforce capability and talent shortages,

growing reliance on third-party vendors, and risks related to data integrity and automated decision-making. Addressing these areas will help organizations strengthen oversight, improve governance, and enhance visibility across the enterprise risk landscape.

Check out the full report [HERE](#).

### The Great Audit Shift in 2026

The internal audit profession is undergoing significant transformation as organizations adopt artificial intelligence, automate processes, and operate in increasingly complex risk environments. Internal auditors are expected to provide deeper insights, stronger assurance, and more strategic value while maintaining independence and professional judgment. Emerging technologies are enabling more continuous, risk-informed auditing, expanding audit coverage, and improving data-driven insights. However, the report emphasizes that human judgment, professional skepticism, and strong governance remain essential to ensure ethical oversight and reliable assurance in a technology-enabled audit environment.



Check out the full report [HERE](#).

Internal Auditor Digital Magazine – Read the [Latest Issue here](#).

## WINNIPEG CHAPTER OUTREACH

### Promoting the CIA Designation at the University of Winnipeg



On October 9, 2025, the Institute of Internal Auditors Winnipeg Chapter delivered a presentation at University of Winnipeg to final-year Business Studies students highlighting the Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) designation. The session introduced students to career opportunities in internal auditing, explained the value of the CIA qualification, and provided insights into the profession and its growing importance in governance, risk management, and assurance. The presentation aimed to raise awareness of the internal audit profession and encourage graduating students to consider

pursuing the CIA designation as part of their professional development.

### IIA Winnipeg Chapter at the U of M Career Fair

Members of the Institute of Internal Auditors Winnipeg Chapter Board recently participated in a large career fair featuring more than 95 employers, at the University of Manitoba. The event provided an excellent opportunity to promote the internal audit profession and engage with students exploring career options. Despite the fast-paced environment, where many attendees were actively job-seeking and visiting numerous booths, the Chapter maintained a strong and visible presence. Representatives shared information about the value of the profession, highlighted opportunities in internal auditing, and encouraged students to access the free IIA student membership and its benefits by scanning the QR code provided at the booth.



## COMMUNICATIONS

### Emerging Leaders Mentoring Program



The Institute of Internal Auditors offers the Emerging Leaders Mentoring Program to support early-career professionals in internal audit, risk management, and related fields as they develop their careers. The program connects mentees with experienced mentors to help participants strengthen leadership skills, clarify career goals, and build confidence within the profession. Through regular meetings and guided discussions, participants gain valuable insights and professional development opportunities while expanding their networks within the internal audit community.

[Program close-out by May 31, 2026.](#)

### Connect with us on social media

Join our [LinkedIn Group](#) of Internal Audit Professionals to grow your network and stay updated on upcoming events and other news in the internal audit community.

### Other Inquiries

For other inquiries, please reach out to your friendly Board executives by emailing [chapter33@iiachaptercommunications.org](mailto:chapter33@iiachaptercommunications.org)

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Jack Walker	VP, Education
Mark Morrison	VP, Member Services
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