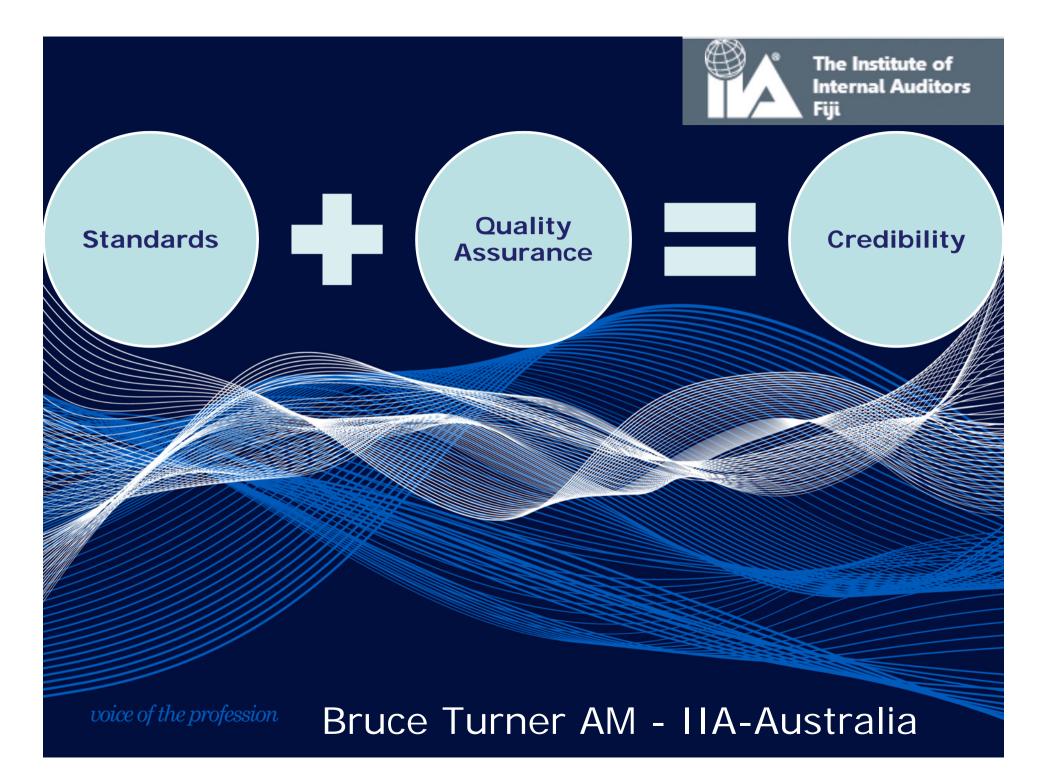
STANDARDS: QUALITY ASSURANCE





Meeting stakeholder expectations

"94%

of stakeholders believe there is value for internal auditors to conform to the Standards." **"53%**

of stakeholders are aware of the IIA's IPPF."

Source: IIA Global Council 2017 Summary Report, 19-22 February 2017, Rome Italy, Stakeholder Expectations, Section 3, p10



Quality standards do matter!

"Following foodborne illness outbreaks at Chipotle Mexican Grill that sickened hundreds of customers, sales are down and the restaurant's stock price has dropped nearly 50% ..."

"The US federal government declared a state of emergency in Flint, Mich., after unsafe lead levels are found in the water supply. Five local and state government officials resign or are fined, and criminal charges are filed against nine others."

Source: Internal Auditor Journal (Ia), IIA Global, April 2017, Editor's Note, p 7



Just imagine if the Olympics had poor quality standards ...

Would Fiji have been hampered in creating history by winning the country's first ever Olympic medal in Rio-2016?

"The men's Rugby Sevens team thrashed Great Britain 43-7 in the final to claim gold."







The Good The Bad And the Ugly



Commonwealth Games India 2010

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Allegations of corruption and financial irregularities.

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Go beyond the 46% who use all Standards

... by effectively applying professional auditing standards and maintaining the right level of quality assurance.

Resolve to fully utilise the IPPF in your organisation and ultimately join the 59% worldwide who do ... and 87% aiming to do so.

Noting that this is the expectation of 94% of stakeholders!

Source: CBOK Study 2015 Question 142 – "Does your organization use the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing (Standards)?" Yes all the standards (East Asia and Pacific)

Boosting audit quality

Fiji's OAG back in 1987 ...

- Audit plans were not prepared
- Proper time management systems did not exist
- Audit sampling was not done properly
- Audit working papers mainly contained audit findings
- The audit manual was outdated and not strictly complied with
- Auditing and accounting systems were also mostly not complied with
- Technology was largely non-existent

Decades
of
Change in
Auditing
Ajay Nand
1987-2007

"The OAG story proves that ... what we need is people with positive minds and willingness to live through and beyond change."



The IPPF

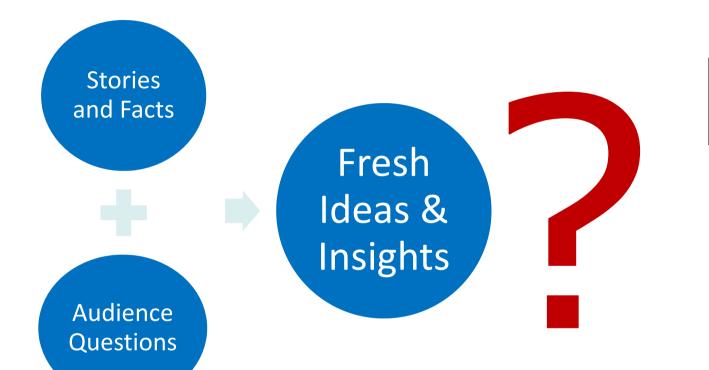


Provides a globally accepted basis for the operation of Internal Audit.





What's in it for you



Action points for you to consider

Information on FREE reference resources

= Credibility



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Positioning for future success



• Framework, standards and assurance.

Part 1 Recap on IPPF



The IPPF – issued by the IIA

When the IPPF is adopted:

- It eliminates the need for local development of standards, thus reducing the cost of regulation.
- It provides an international benchmark for establishing the quality of Internal Audit operations.
- It facilitates trans-national operations by contributing to a uniform regulatory Internal Audit regime worldwide.



Setting the standards

- The Internal Auditing Standards Board is comprised of a mix of people from around the world including the IIA, Big 4 firms, US Government Accountability Office, chartered accountants, external auditors, and practising internal auditors.
 - o Procedures for the mandatory IPPF provisions require public exposure and formal consideration of comments received from both IIA members and non-members.
 - O The standards development process is supervised by an independent body the IPPF Oversight Council of the IIA–Global which is appointed by the IIA–Global Board of Directors and comprises stakeholder representatives.
 - The IPPF was most recently updated in 2017.









Internal Audit Mission

"To enhance and protect organisational value by providing risk-based and objective assurance, advice, and insight."



Core Principles

- 1. Demonstrates integrity.
- 2. Demonstrates competence and due professional care.
- 3. Is objective and free from undue influence (independent).
- 4. Aligns with the strategies, objectives, and risks of the organisation.
- 5. Is appropriately positioned and adequately resourced.



Core Principles (cont'd)

- 6. Demonstrates quality and continuous improvement.
- Communicates effectively.
- 8. Provides risk-based assurance.
- 9. Is insightful, proactive, and future-focused.
- 10. Promotes organisational improvement.



Internal Audit's objectives

- Review achievement of organisation objectives.
- Assess if decisions are properly authorised.
- Assess reliability and integrity of information.
- Review that assets are safeguarded.
- Assess compliance with laws, regulations, policies and contracts



Internal Audit's objectives (cont'd)

- Assess efficiency, effectiveness, economy and ethical conduct of business activities.
- Consider fraud risk scenarios.
- Follow-up previous audits to assess if remedial action has been effectively implemented.
- Look for business improvements and better ways of doing things.



Definition of Internal Auditing

"Internal auditing is an independent, objective assurance and consulting activity designed to add value and improve an organisation's operations. It helps an organisation accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes."



Code of Ethics

- States the principles and expectations governing the behaviour of individuals and organisations in the conduct of internal auditing
- Describes the minimum requirements for conduct and behaviour expectations — (1) Principles and (2) Rules of Conduct
- Code of Ethics principles are: Integrity, Objectivity,
 Confidentiality, Competency



 Mission, core principles, new standard 1112 (CAE role beyond Internal Auditing) and changes to wording of some standards. Other detailed changes in Appendix.

Part 2 IPPF changes from 2017



Changes to wording

☐ Standard 1000 – Purpose, Authority, and Responsibility

The Chief Audit Executive must periodically review the Internal Audit Charter and present it to senior management and the Board for approval.



Changes to wording

☐ Standard 1010 – Recognition of the Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics, and the Standards in the Internal Audit Charter.

The mandatory nature of <u>the Core Principles for the Professional Practice</u> <u>of Internal Auditing</u>, Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics, and the Standards must be <u>recognised</u> <u>reflected</u> in the Internal Audit Charter.

The Chief Audit Executive should discuss the Mission, the Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing, the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics, and the Standards with senior management and the Board.



Changes to wording

☐ Standard 1110.A1

The Internal Audit activity must be free from interference in determining the scope of internal auditing, performing work, and communicating results.

The Chief Audit Executive must disclose such interference to the Board and discuss the implications.



New standard

- New Standard 1112 <u>CAE Roles beyond Internal Auditing</u>
 - Where the Chief Audit Executive has or is expected to have roles and/or responsibilities that fall outside of internal auditing, safeguards must be in place to limit impairments to independence or objectivity.
- ☐ Interpretation:

The Chief Audit Executive may be asked to take on additional roles and responsibilities outside of internal auditing, such as responsibility for compliance or risk management activities.

These roles and responsibilities may impair, or appear to impair, the organisational independence of the Internal Audit activity, or the individual objectivity of the Internal Auditor.

Safeguards are those oversight activities, often undertaken by the Board, to address these potential impairments, and may include such activities as periodically evaluating reporting lines and responsibilities, and developing alternative processes to obtain assurance related to the areas of additional responsibility.



New standard

☐ New Standard 1130.A3

Internal Audit may provide assurance services where they have previously performed consulting services, provided the nature of the consulting did not impair objectivity, and provided individual objectivity is managed when assigning resources to the engagement.



New interpretation

- Standard 2050 Co-ordination and Reliance
- New interpretation:

In co-ordinating activities, the Chief Audit Executive may rely on the work of other assurance and consulting service providers.

A consistent process for the basis of reliance should be established, and the Chief Audit Executive should consider the competency, objectivity, and due professional care of the assurance and consulting service providers.

The Chief Audit Executive should also have a clear understanding of the scope, objectives, and results of the work performed by other providers of assurance and consulting services.

Where reliance is placed on the work of others, the Chief Audit Executive is still accountable and responsible for ensuring adequate support for conclusions and opinions reached by the Internal Audit activity.



 Developing and maintaining a QAIP that covers all aspects of the Internal Audit activity.

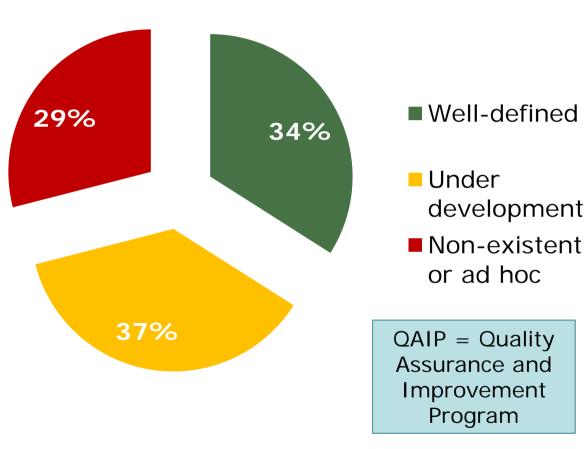
Part 3 Quality assurance & improvement



QAIP in practice

Despite widespread support for mandatory requirements, most internal audit departments do not conform with professional standards related to internal audit quality.

Availability of QAIP



Source: Internal Audit Quality Assurance and Improvement: A Call to Action, Christie J. O'Loughlin and Jodi Swauger, CBOK Report, IIA Research Foundation, 2016, p7



Be part of the 34%

... By developing and maintaining a well-defined QAIP!

- Internal quality review
- External quality review
- Formal link to continuous improvement and staff training activities



"To provide credible assistance and constructive challenge to management, internal auditors must be perceived as professionals.

Professionalism requires conforming to a set of professional standards."

Source: Internal Audit Quality Assurance and Improvement: A Call to Action, Christie J. O'Loughlin and Jodi Swauger, CBOK Report, IIA Research Foundation, 2016



Developing and maintaining a QAIP

- Standard 1300 Quality Assurance and Improvement Program
 - The Chief Audit Executive must develop and maintain a Quality Assurance and Improvement Program that covers all aspects of the Internal Audit activity.

Interpretation:

- A Quality Assurance and Improvement Program is designed to enable an evaluation of the Internal Audit activity's conformance with the Definition of Internal Auditing and the Standards and an evaluation of whether Internal Auditors apply the Code of Ethics.
- o The program also assesses the efficiency and effectiveness of the Internal Audit activity and identifies opportunities for improvement.



- 1310 Requirements of the QAIP
- 1311 Internal Assessments
- 1312 External Assessments
- 1320 Reporting on the QAIP
- 1321 Use of "Conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing"
- 1322 Disclosure of Non-conformance



- Standard 1310 Requirements of the QAIP
 The QAIP must include both internal and external assessments.
- Standard 1311 Internal Assessments Internal assessments must include:
 - Ongoing monitoring of the performance of the Internal Audit activity.
 - Periodic self-assessments or assessments by other persons within the organisation with sufficient knowledge of Internal Audit practices.



- Standard 1312 External Assessments
 - External assessments must be conducted at least every 5 years by a qualified, independent assessor or assessment team from outside the organisation. The Chief Audit Executive must discuss with the Board:
 - The form and frequency of external assessment.
 - The qualifications and independence of the external assessor or assessment team, including any potential conflict of interest.



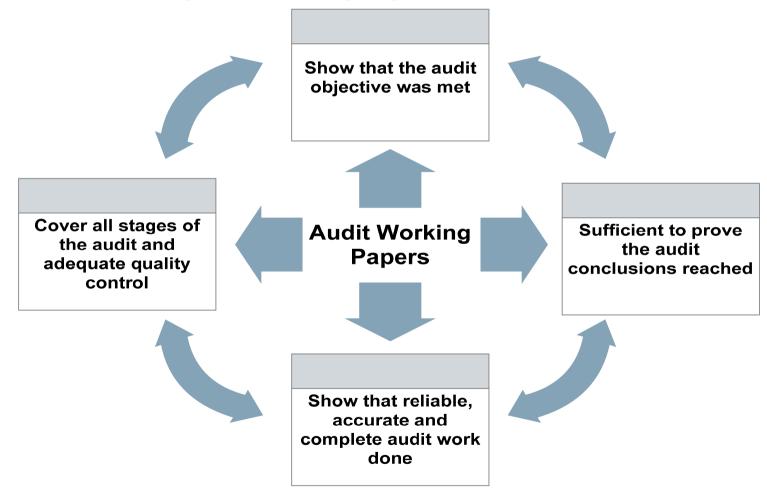
- Standard 1320 Reporting on the QAIP
 - The Chief Audit Executive must communicate the results of the QAIP to senior management and the Board. Disclosure should include:
 - The scope and frequency of both the internal and external assessments.
 - Conclusions of assessors.
 - Corrective action plans.
 - o The qualifications and independence of the assessor or assessment team, including potential conflicts of interest.



- Standard 1321 Use of "Conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing"
 - Indicating that the Internal Audit activity conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing is appropriate only if the results of the QAIP support such a statement.
- Standard 1322 Disclosure of Non-conformance
 - When non-conformance with the Code of Ethics or the Standards impacts the overall scope or operation of the Internal Audit activity, the Chief Audit Executive must disclose the non-conformance and the impact to senior management and the Board.



Performance Standard 2300 'Performing the Engagement'





 Demonstrating compliance to maintain credibility with the audit committee and the C-suite.

Part 4 Practical tips



Benefits of well-defined QAIP

- Facilitates continuous improvement
- Improves and monitors conformance to the Standards
- Assesses performance by measuring and evaluating key performance indicators
- Facilitates effective oversight of internal audit processes
- Provides regular independent external evaluations of internal audit's work

- Helps ensure that the CAE, the audit committee, and senior management have a consistent vision of what the internal audit function should aspire to accomplish
- Improves the efficiency and effectiveness of internal auditing, and enhances the value of internal audit services
- Helps ensure internal audit's success

Source: Internal Audit Quality Assurance and Improvement: A Call to Action, Christie J. O'Loughlin and Jodi Swauger, CBOK Report, IIA Research Foundation, 2016



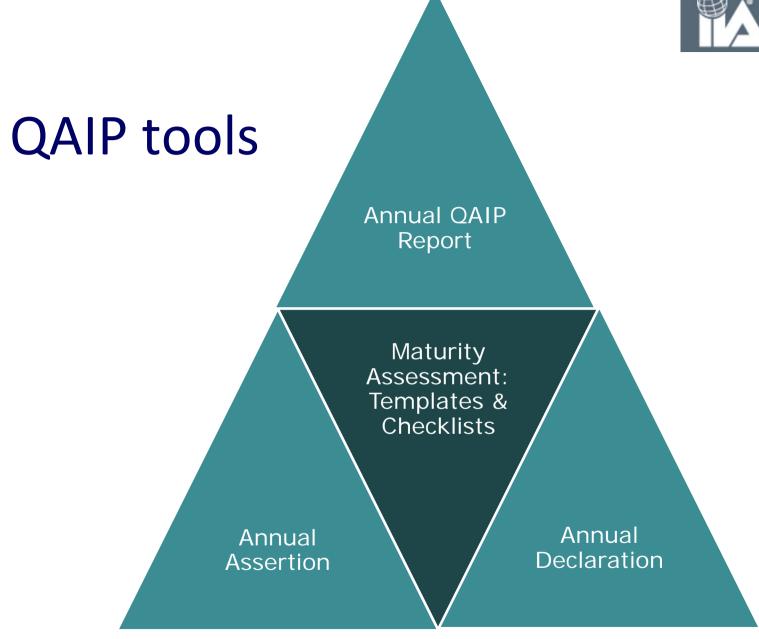
Internal Activity



Consolidated QAIP

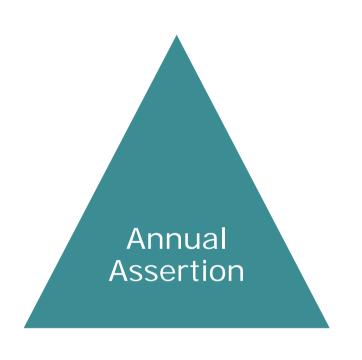
Service Provider







QAIP assertion



- Charter remains current
- CAEs organisational independence
- CAE call-out any major restrictions
- CAE assertion on additional roles
- Awareness of reporting conflicts
- QAIP in place
- Use of 'conformance' assertion
- Disclosure of non-conformances
- Communication of corrected information (errors or omissions)
- Adherence to Code of Ethics

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Liam Buckley PMIIA, Group Head of Internal Audit at QBE Insurance Group Limited and Petra Koziollek, Chief Audit Executive at TAFE NSW share some of their vast internal audit experience. More Information...

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The AGM of the IIA-Australia is to be held on the 4 May 2017, 5.00pm in Sydney. Members and guests are invited to attend. The Notice of Meeting and information for the meeting and those not able to attend is available here....



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Alignment







The Institute of Internal Auditors

87% of executives believe reputation risk is the most important strategic risk

Source: Deloitte's 2014 Global Survey of Reputation Risk

Add Value to Business **CREDIBLE** Be regarded as credible in the BALANCED Apply a balanced stakeholders approach to ATTUNED provide valued Know the insights business and what needs audit The ABC's of adding value – Ia magazine December 2013, p48-53 focus



Questions?



Details of other changes to the IPPF in 2017.

Appendices



Standard 1312 – External Assessments

External assessments must be conducted at least once every five years by a qualified, independent assessor or assessment team from outside the organisation.

The Chief Audit Executive must discuss with the Board:

- The form and frequency of external assessment.
- The qualifications and independence of the external assessor or assessment team, including any potential conflict of interest.

Interpretation:

External assessments enhance a complete Quality Assurance and Improvement Program and may be accomplished through can be in the form of a full external assessment, or a self-assessment with independent external validation. The external assessor must conclude as to conformance with the Standards; the external assessment may also include operational or strategic comments.



Standard 1312 – External Assessments continued

A qualified assessor or assessment team demonstrates competence in two areas: the professional practice of internal auditing and the external assessment process. Competence can be demonstrated through a mixture of experience and theoretical learning.

Experience gained in organisations of similar size, complexity, sector or industry, and technical issues is more valuable than less relevant experience.

In the case of an assessment team, not all members of the team need to have all the competencies; it is the team as a whole that is qualified. The Chief Audit Executive uses professional judgment when assessing whether an assessor or assessment team demonstrates sufficient competence to be qualified.

An independent assessor or assessment team means not having either <u>an actual or a perceived</u> real or an apparent conflict of interest and not being a part of, or under the control of, the organisation to which the Internal Audit activity belongs.

The Chief Audit Executive should encourage board participation in the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program to reduce perceived or potential conflicts of interest.



- Standard 1320 Reporting on the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program
 - The Chief Audit Executive must communicate the results of the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program to senior management and the Board. <u>Disclosure should include:</u>
 - The scope and frequency of both the internal and external assessments.
 - Conclusions of assessors.
 - o Corrective action plans.
 - o The qualifications and independence of the assessor or assessment team, including potential conflicts of interest.



 Standard 1320 – Reporting on the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program continued

Interpretation:

- O The form, content, and frequency of communicating the results of the quality assurance and improvement program is established through discussions with senior management and the Board and considers the responsibilities of the Internal Audit activity and Chief Audit Executive as contained in the Internal Audit Charter.
- o To demonstrate conformance with the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics and the Standards, the results of external and periodic internal assessments are communicated upon completion of such assessments and the results of ongoing monitoring are communicated at least annually.
- The results include the assessor's or assessment team's evaluation with respect to the degree of conformance.



 Standard 1321 – Use of "Conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing"

The Chief Audit Executive may state that Indicating that the Internal Audit activity conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing is appropriate only if the results of the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program support this such a statement.



 Standard 1321 – Use of "Conforms with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing"

Interpretation:

The Internal Audit activity conforms with the Standards when it achieves the outcomes described in the Definition of Internal Auditing, Code of Ethics and the Standards.

The results of the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program include the results of both internal and external assessments.

All Internal Audit activities will have the results of internal assessments.

Internal Audit activities in existence for at least five years will also have the results of external assessments.



☐ Standard 1322 – Disclosure of Non-conformance

When non-conformance with the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics or the Standards impacts the overall scope or operation of the Internal Audit activity, the Chief Audit Executive must disclose the non-conformance and the impact to senior management and the Board.



- Standard 2000 Managing the Internal Audit Activity
 - The Chief Audit Executive must effectively manage the Internal Audit activity to ensure it adds value to the organisation.
- Interpretation:

The Internal Audit activity is effectively managed when:

- The results of the Internal Audit activity's work achieve the purpose and responsibility included in the Internal Audit Charter.
- o The Internal Audit activity conforms with the Definition of Internal Auditing and the Standards.
- The individuals who are part of the Internal Audit activity demonstrate conformance with the Code of Ethics and the Standards.
- The Internal Audit activity considers trends and emerging issues that could impact the effectiveness of the Internal Audit activity.

The Internal Audit activity adds value to the organisation and its stakeholders when it considers strategies, objectives, and risks; strives to offer ways to enhance provides objective and relevant assurance, and contributes to the effectiveness and efficiency of governance, risk management and control processes; and objectively provides relevant assurance.



Standard 2010 – Planning

The Chief Audit Executive must establish a risk-based plan to determine the priorities of the Internal Audit activity, consistent with the organisation's goals.

Change to interpretation:

To develop the risk-based plan, the Chief Audit Executive first considers the risk management framework and consults with senior management and the Board and then draws conclusions reached from Internal Audit's risk assessment.

The Chief Audit Executive is responsible for developing a risk-based plan. The Chief Audit Executive takes into account the organisation's risk management framework, including using risk appetite levels set by management for the different activities or parts of the organisation. If a framework does not exist, the Chief Audit Executive uses his/her own judgment of risks after consideration of input from senior management and the Board.

The Chief Audit Executive must review and adjust the plan, as necessary, in response to changes in the organisation's business, risks, operations, programs, systems, and controls.



Standard 2050 – Co-ordination <u>and Reliance</u>

The Chief Audit Executive should share information and coordinate activities with other internal and external providers of assurance and consulting service providers to ensure proper coverage and minimise duplication of efforts.



Standard 2060 – Reporting to Senior Management and the Board The Chief Audit Executive must report periodically to senior management and the Board on the Internal Audit activity's purpose, authority, responsibility, and performance relative to its plan, and on its conformance with the Standards.

Reporting must also include significant risk exposures and control issues, including fraud risks, governance issues, and other matters needed or requested by that require the attention of senior management and/or the Board.



- ☐ Standard 2060 Reporting to Senior Management and the Board
- ☐ Change to interpretation:

The frequency and content of reporting are determined <u>collaboratively</u> by the <u>Chief Audit Executive</u>, in discussion with senior management, and the Board. <u>The frequency and content of reporting and</u> depend on the importance of the information to be communicated and the urgency of the related actions to be taken by senior management and/or the Board. The Chief Audit Executive's reporting and communication to senior management and the Board must include information about:

The audit charter. Independence of the Internal Audit activity. The audit plan and progress against the plan. Resource requirements. Results of audit activities. The level of conformance with the Standards and action plans to address any significant conformance issues. Risk accepted by management that may be unacceptable to the organisation.

These and other Chief Audit Executive communication requirements are referenced throughout the Standards.



 Standard 2070 – External Service Provider and Organisational Responsibility for Internal Auditing

When an external service provider serves as the Internal Audit activity, the provider must make the organisation aware that the organisation has the responsibility for maintaining an effective Internal Audit activity.

Interpretation

This responsibility is demonstrated through the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program which assesses conformance with the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics, and the Standards.



- Standard 2100 Nature of Work
 - The Internal Audit activity must evaluate and contribute to the improvement of governance, risk management, and control processes using a systematic, and disciplined, and risk-based approach.
 - Internal Audit credibility and value are enhanced when auditors are proactive and their evaluations offer new insights and consider future impact.



- Standard 2110 Governance
 - The Internal Audit activity must assess and make appropriate recommendations to improve the organisation's governance processes for: in its accomplishment of the following objectives:
 - Making strategic and operational decisions.
 - Overseeing risk management and control.
 - Promoting appropriate ethics and values within the organisation.
 - Ensuring effective organisational performance management and accountability.
 - Communicating risk and control information to appropriate areas of the organisation.
 - Co-ordinating the activities of, and communicating information among, the Board, external and Internal Auditors, other assurance providers, and management.



Standard 2200 – Engagement Planning
 Internal Auditors must develop and document a plan for each engagement, including the engagement's objectives, scope, timing, and resource allocations.

The plan must consider the organisation's strategies, objectives, and risks relevant to the engagement.



Standard 2201 – Planning Considerations

In planning the engagement, Internal Auditors must consider:

The <u>strategies and</u> objectives of the activity being reviewed and the means by which the activity controls its performance.

The significant risks to the activity's, its objectives, resources, and operations and the means by which the potential impact of risk is kept to an acceptable level.

The adequacy and effectiveness of the activity's governance, risk management, and control processes compared to a relevant framework or model.

The opportunities for making significant improvements to the activity's governance, risk management, and control processes.



Standard 2210.A3

Adequate criteria are needed to evaluate governance, risk management, and controls.

Internal Auditors must ascertain the extent to which management and/or the Board has established adequate criteria to determine whether objectives and goals have been accomplished.

If adequate, Internal Auditors must use such criteria in their evaluation. If inadequate, Internal Auditors must work with management and/or the Board to develop appropriate evaluation criteria identify appropriate evaluation criteria in discussion with management and/or the Board.



New interpretation

- Standard 2210.A3
- New interpretation:
 - Internal Auditors may leverage different types of evaluation criteria such as:
 - o <u>Internal criteria (eg policies and procedures of the organisation).</u>
 - External criteria (eg laws and regulations imposed by statutory bodies).
 - o <u>Leading practices criteria (eg industry and professional guidance).</u>



Changes to interpretation

Standard 2230 – Engagement Resource Allocation Internal Auditors must determine appropriate and sufficient resources to achieve engagement objectives based on an evaluation of the nature and complexity of each engagement, time constraints, and available resources.

Interpretation:

Appropriate refers to the mix of knowledge, skills, and other competencies needed to perform the engagement. Sufficient refers to the quantity of resources needed to accomplish the engagement with due professional care.



Standard 2330 – Documenting Information Internal Auditors must document <u>sufficient, reliable</u>, relevant, <u>and useful</u> information to support the conclusions and engagement results <u>and</u> <u>conclusions</u>.



- Standard 1210 Proficiency
 - Proficiency is a collective term that refers to the knowledge, skills, and other competencies is a collective term that refers to the professional proficiency required of Internal Auditors to effectively carry out their professional responsibilities.
 - o <u>It encompasses consideration of current activities, trends, and emerging issues, to enable relevant advice and recommendations.</u>
 - o Internal Auditors are encouraged to demonstrate their proficiency by obtaining appropriate professional certifications and qualifications, such as the Certified Internal Auditor designation and other designations offered by the Institute of Internal Auditors and other appropriate professional organisations.



Standard 2410 – Criteria for Communicating Communications must include the engagement's objectives, and scope, and results. as well as applicable conclusions, recommendations, and action plans.



Standard 2410.A1

Final communication of engagement results must <u>include applicable</u> <u>conclusions</u>.

<u>Final communication of engagement results must also include all applicable recommendations and/or action plans.</u>

Where appropriate, the Internal Auditors' opinion should be provided. contain the Internal Auditors' opinion and/or conclusions. When issued,

An opinion or conclusion must take into account of the expectations of senior management, the Board, and other stakeholders and must be supported by sufficient, reliable, relevant, and useful information.



■ Standard 2430 — Use of "Conducted in Conformance with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing"

Stating Internal auditors may report that their engagements are "conducted in conformance with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing" is appropriate only if the results of the Quality Assurance and Improvement Program support the statement.



- Standard 2431 Engagement Disclosure of Non-conformance When non-conformance with the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics or the Standards impacts a specific engagement, communication of the results must disclose the:
 - o Principle(s) or rule(s) of conduct of the Code of Ethics or the standard(s) with which full conformance was not achieved.
 - Reason (s) for non-conformance.
 - Impact of non-conformance on the engagement and the communicated engagement results.



☐ Glossary – Board

The highest level of governing body charged with the responsibility to direct and/or oversee the activities and <u>hold senior</u> management <u>of the organisation</u>. Typically, this includes an independent group of directors accountable (eg a board of directors, a supervisory board, or a board of governors or trustees). If such a group does not exist, the "board" may refer to the head of the organisation.

"Board" may refer to an audit committee to which the governing body has delegated certain functions.

Although governance arrangements vary among jurisdictions and sectors, typically the Board includes members who are not part of management and is not solely comprised of members of management.

If a Board does not exist, the word "board" in the *Standards* refers to a group or person charged with governance.

Furthermore, "Board" in the *Standards* may refer to a committee or another body to which the governing body has delegated certain functions (eg an Audit Committee or Risk Committee).



Glossary – Chief Audit Executive

Chief Audit Executive describes a person in a senior position responsible for effectively managing the Internal Audit activity in accordance with the Internal Audit Charter, the Definition of Internal Auditing, the Code of Ethics, and the Standards.

The Chief Audit Executive or others reporting to the Chief Audit Executive will have appropriate professional certifications and qualifications.

The specific job title <u>and/or role</u> of the Chief Audit Executive may vary across organisations.



- Glossary Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing
 - <u>o The Core Principles for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing</u> (Core Principles) are the key elements that describe Internal Audit effectiveness.
 - o The Core Principles underpin the Code of Ethics and the Standards.



Glossary – International Professional Practices Framework

The conceptual framework that organises the authoritative guidance promulgated by the IIA.

Authoritative Guidance is comprised of two categories – (1) mandatory and (2) strongly recommended.