

Consultancy and advisory skills for auditors

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CPE's: **7**

Course Description

Many internal auditors and internal audit functions deliver both assurance and consultancy services to help enhance governance, risk management and internal control within their organisations. For obvious reasons, a lot of our guidance and thinking focuses on assurance activity, with far less time given to the advisory element of our work.

In a number of situations, internal audit consultancy work can add more value than an assurance engagement, especially in less risk mature environments. This course will equip you with the skills and confidence to conduct your own professional consultancy and advisory engagements as well as providing an informative overview of how best to establish consultancy services and avoid common challenges.

Who should attend?

Chief audit executives, internal audit managers, senior internal auditors and internal auditors involved in planning and providing consultancy and advisory engagements that cover governance, risk management and control. It is particularly relevant for those wanting to add greater value and deliver enhanced insight through their work.

Course Programme

This course will take you through the following learning steps:

- The relationship between consultancy work and internal audit assurance
- The nature of internal audit consultancy services
- Planning for delivery of the consultancy services
- Professional conduct of consultancy services
- Value adding consultancy tools and techniques
- Skills and competencies
- Common challenges and how to avoid them in practice

The course includes facilitator input, practical discussions and a number of short task-based exercises (including a longer case study-based exercise) to reinforce the methods you have learned and build upon existing knowledge.

Four key IIA Global core competencies covered

- Critical Thinking
- Improvement and Innovation
- Communication
- Persuasion and Collaboration

Biography

John Chesshire is the Chief Assurance Officer for the States of Guernsey, providing leadership to the internal audit, risk management and wider assurance communities. He has held senior executive management roles during his career and has 20 years' experience working in the internal audit, risk management, business improvement and governance fields. He is the Independent Audit Committee Chair at the London Borough of Hillingdon.



John has been a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors (CIIA) since 2006 and is extensively involved with the Chartered Institute's training, examination and qualifications programmes. He has been a member of the CIIA's Professional Development Committee, a member of the Examination and Assessment Committee and has worked as a volunteer for IIA Global projects, including CBOK 2015. John is also a Principal Examiner for the Institute of Risk Management and a Visiting Lecturer at Birmingham City University. He holds QIAL, CIA and CISA qualifications.

John also undertakes external quality assessments (EQAs) of internal audit functions and mentoring of internal auditors and heads of audit. He delivers a wide range of internal audit, fraud, risk management and governance training through his company, JC Audit Training Ltd. Recent clients include FTSE listed companies, multinationals, central and local government, law enforcement, professional services firms and international charities.

Cost

€ 210

€ 180 (HIIA Members)

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Venue

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