Workshop Advanced Internal Audit: Mastering Complex Audits

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Why This Course

In today's complex business environment, internal auditors must go beyond compliance and develop strategic skills that add real value to their organizations. This intensive 1-week workshop equips experienced internal auditors with advanced techniques in risk assessment, data analytics, and strategic reporting, enabling them to tackle complex audit challenges and enhance the impact of the internal audit function.

What You'll Learn and Practice

By participating in this program, you will:

- Master advanced risk assessment and audit planning aligned with organizational objectives.
- Apply data analytics and continuous auditing techniques to improve audit efficiency and insight.
- Evaluate complex business processes, including IT governance, cybersecurity, and third-party risk.
- Enhance your ability to communicate audit findings and recommendations effectively.
- Develop strategies to increase the value of internal audit beyond compliance.

The Program Flow

Day 1: Advanced Risk Assessment and Audit Planning

- Enterprise Risk Management ERM frameworks
- Advanced risk assessment techniques
- Developing risk-based audit plans
- Aligning audit strategy with organizational objectives

Day 2: Data Analytics and Continuous Auditing

- Advanced data analysis techniques
- Implementing continuous auditing programs
- Using data visualization tools
- Predictive analytics in internal auditing



Day 3: Auditing Complex Business Processes

- Evaluating IT governance and cybersecurity
- Auditing financial instruments and treasury operations
- Assessing third-party risk management
- Auditing organizational culture and ethics

Day 4: Advanced Audit Techniques and Methodologies

- Root cause analysis techniques
- Process mining for internal audit
- Agile auditing methodologies
- Fraud risk assessment and investigation techniques

Day 5: Strategic Reporting and Adding Value

- Developing impactful audit reports
- Presenting to senior management and audit committees
- Consulting engagements and advisory services
- Measuring and communicating internal audit value

Individual Impact

- Strengthen your ability to plan and execute risk-based audits efficiently.
- Enhance analytical and data-driven auditing capabilities.
- Gain confidence in evaluating complex business processes and emerging risks.
- Improve communication skills to influence senior management and stakeholders.

Work Impact

- Conduct audits that provide strategic insights and actionable recommendations.
- Enhance organizational risk management through advanced audit techniques.
- Leverage analytics and continuous auditing for greater efficiency and coverage.
- Demonstrate the internal audit function's value in improving business performance.

Training Methodology

This program combines theory and practical exercises to ensure real-world application:

- Case studies on complex audit scenarios and emerging risks.
- Hands-on exercises using data analytics and visualization tools.
- Interactive workshops on advanced audit techniques and methodologies.
- Group discussions and peer learning to share insights and best practices.
- Frameworks and templates for immediate application in your audits.



Beyond the Course

Upon completion, participants will be equipped to:

- Execute advanced, risk-focused internal audits with confidence.
- Apply data analytics for continuous auditing and insight generation.
- Audit complex processes, including IT and financial operations.
- Deliver strategic recommendations that drive organizational improvement.

