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FOREWORD

Dear reader

It's hard to believe the year is already drawing to a close! You are now holding our final newsletter of the year – the perfect moment to look back together. The past year has been shaped by many enriching encounters, a successful NATIONAL CONFERENCE in Lucerne, inspiring networking events, and a wide range of professional development opportunities.

A defining moment of the year was the change in our Chairmanship: after many years of dedicated leadership, Gabrielle Rudolf von Rohr handed over her role to Daniel Dal Santo. The strategic workshop held in Lausanne marked a successful start and set important impulses for the years ahead.

The turn of the year, however, also brings farewells. We say goodbye to Angelica Bienz, the committed head of our Editorial Committee. With passion and expertise, she enriched our Food for Thought section with insightful contributions. On behalf of the Office and the Board of IIA Switzerland, we extend our heartfelt thanks to Angelica for her dedication. Although the Editorial Committee will not continue in this form, we look forward to future contributions from her – and warmly invite all members to submit their own articles as well!

We thank you for your support throughout 2025 and look forward to the opportunities and challenges we will tackle together in the new year.

Warm regards,
Sandra Würmli & Thomas Flüeler
Co-Executive Management

Your voice shapes the future of IIA Switzerland!

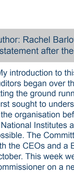
As the year concludes, we kindly ask you to participate in the 2025 Member Survey. Tell us what matters to you – we listen, and we continue to evolve for you.
In just a few minutes, you can answer 14 short questions that help us further improve and refine our services.
Thank you sincerely for your time, support, and valuable feedback!

Click here to access the member survey

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Editorial Committee by Angelica Bienz

The 'Food for Thought' section is managed by the Editorial Committee.
It should be noted that the opinions expressed in this section may differ from those of the IIAS.


Angelica Bienz, CIA, CRMA, CFA, CFA

When new technologies emerge and an association grows, structures evolve — and sometimes responsibilities return to where they can be fulfilled most effectively. The Editorial Committee is now taking exactly this step: moving away from individual volunteer work and closer to the IIA Switzerland Office and the Board. A reflection on purpose, challenges, and the art of visibility.

👉Why Articles Are Not Written In Meetings – Experience report from the outgoing editorial committee chair

NEWS & UPDATES



More about the IAP

The **Internal Audit Practitioner (IAP)** designation is a recognised entry-level credential in internal audit. With its new permanent availability («IAP is now permanent»), this valuable certification path is now accessible at all times.

Introducing the Global Audit Committee Center



The IIA proudly announces the launch of the **Global Audit Committee Center** – a new platform offering boards and audit committees insights, tools, and resources to strengthen internal audit oversight, enhance collaboration, and promote excellence in corporate governance.
👉 Discover and share the hub with your board

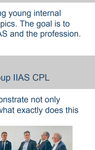


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Author: Rachel Barlow joins ECIIA in July 2025 as their new CEO
A statement after the first 100+ days in office:



«My introduction to this exciting community of internal auditors began over the summer with the aim of hitting the ground running in September.
I first sought to understand the governance structure of the organisation before listening to as many CEOs of National Institutes and Committee Chairs as possible. The Committee meetings ensued as well as with the CEOs and a Board meeting was held in late October. This week we presented to a European Commissioner on a new EU legislative proposal.

I have found the work fascinating and challenging at the same time! The goal is to listen to your needs and best serve this vibrant profession to the best of my abilities.»

SEMINARS & EVENTS

Our seminars

As we close out this year, we have once again prepared some inspiring seminar highlights for you. Take advantage of this opportunity to finish your professional development year strong and earn your remaining 2025 CPEs in time!

IIA Switzerland Seminar Overview

Our events

ACFE / IIAS Conference 2025

Monday, 1 December 2025 – Geneva

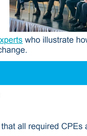
Registration

ISACA / IIAS Conference

Wednesday, 21 January 2026 – Zurich

Registration

Important: Online registration is temporarily unavailable.
Please contact us at: info@iias.ch



ERFAS & GROUPS

The ERFA Group Young Audit is now ERFA IIAS Next Gen

The name has changed, but the focus remains on networking young internal auditors and promoting professional exchange on current topics. The goal is to foster new perspectives and derive recommendations for IIAS and the profession.
👉 More information about our ERFAs and groups.

Auditor Courage – Integrity in Action
Authors: Yann Wyss and Grégoire Demaurex, ERFA group IIAS CPL

The Global Internal Audit Standards call on auditors to demonstrate not only integrity but also, more recently, professional courage. But what exactly does this concept mean?

The 2025 annual conference of the ERFA Group *Collectivités Publiques Latines* (Latin Public Authorities, CPL), held in Fribourg, brought together nearly 130 participants to explore this important topic.



Dive into the 👉experiences and reflections of experts who illustrate how the auditor becomes a true advocate for transparency and change.

CERTIFICATIONS

Annual Certification Renewal is open
Renewal Deadline: 31 December 2025

Ensure you renew your certification on time and that all required CPEs are submitted by the deadline.

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Congratulations to the following graduates:

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Certification in Risk Management Assurance CRMA
Ledrich Vallati Claire

and Internal Audit Practitioner IAP
Preisig Marianne, Würmli Sandra

We extend our best wishes to them all in their future careers.

📣To conclude:

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