

# Global Initiatives Updates



# IIA Global Governance

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# 2016/17 Governance Study

 Approved by Board of Directors, December 2015

 Purpose: To review the governance structure of The IIA and make recommendations for alternative structures or improvements for effectiveness and efficiency.

# 2016/17 Governance Study

#### Scope:

 Examine size, composition, and responsibilities of Board and Executive Committee

 Consider purpose, processes and relationships of other IIA entities, e.g., Global Council, GELT, Associated (Regional) Organizations, Committees

#### **Governance Task Force Members**

#### **Appointed in January 2016**

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#### **IIA Global Entities**

- Governance
  - Board of Directors
  - Executive Committee
  - North American Board (limited)
- Non-governance
  - Global Council
  - Global Executive Leadership Team (CEOs)
  - Associated (Regional) Organizations (ACIIA, AFIIA, ECIIA, FLAI, UFAI)
  - -IIA Committees



#### **IIA Governance Evolution**

- **2**002-2007
  - Reduced global Board size from 72 to 38
  - Established the North American Board
  - Formalized Global Council
- **2011** 
  - Reorganized committees
  - Established the Global Executive Leadership
     Team (GELT Institute CEOs)



#### **IIA Governance Evolution**

- **2011-2014** 
  - Agreed IIA Global would operate as a hybrid model
  - Defined 12 core principles for affiliate operations
  - Defined purpose and responsibilities of each entity, including AOs and Institutes
  - Issued new MRA for institutes
- **2015-2016** 
  - Exposed and signed a new MoU with each of the existing Associated Organizations

# Governance Study Activities

- April 2016 Tecker International selected as outside consultant
- June 2016 Interviews conducted by Tecker with diverse set of IIA leaders from around the world
- July 2016 Polling questions conducted at Global Council
- August 2016 Survey conducted of Board members and global Committee chairs
- September 2016 Governance Summit held in Orlando
   30 participants from 14 countries

# Governance Study Activities

- December 2016 Tecker completed work and submitted final report/recommendations to the Governance Task Force (GTF).
- December 2016 GTF agreed unanimously that further refinements should be made.
- January 2017 GTF Subgroup met at Global HQ to refine Tecker recommendations.



- January 2017 GTF endorsed general direction and recommendations to EC.
- February 2017 GTF recommendations reviewed with EC.

#### Overview of GTF Recommendations

- ✓ Smaller Board will enhance governance
  - · Competency-based vs. representation-based
  - Focus on governing The IIA, while also influencing and setting the direction of the profession
- ✓ Smaller Supervisory Committee, with reduced responsibilities, can replace Executive Committee
- ✓ Global Council can be the primary representation-based body, with expanded responsibilities

#### Overview of GTF Recommendations

- ✓ Nomination process must be enhanced
- ✓ Further consideration needed regarding committee structure and operations
- ✓ Minor enhancements to GELT should be considered



# Timeline of Next Steps

March '17-May '17

- Board update March 2 call
- Concept paper to Board & others
- Recommendations refined based on input

July '17 – Nov '17

- Board approves exposure
- Exposure to affiliates and members
- Final updates made

Dec '17-May '18

- Board approval of Bylaws/BPM changes
- Notification to members
- Approval of IIA members at May Annual Meeting

# Timeline of Next Steps

May '18 – July '19  New structure implemented through nomination process

July '19

New structure fully in place



# Licensing of the Profession

Patty Miller, CIA, CRMA, QIAL Task Force Chair

#### What is a License?



- Formal permission from a governmental or other constituted authority to do something, as to carry on some business or profession
  - Dictionary.com
- Typical licensed professions include: lawyers, doctors, chartered accountants

#### **Current State**

- You can regulate a profession without establishing a license
- But, you cannot establish a formal and enforceable licensing system without legislation
- Today, internal audit is not a licensed profession anywhere

### What is The IIA's Position on Licensing?

The IIA last addressed this topic in 2011

 After global consultation, The IIA took the position that we do NOT support the establishment of licensing systems due to potentially undesirable outcomes

 While this position was communicated to Institutes in 2011, we have not reinforced the position and rationale behind it since

### Why Talk About it Now?

- Our collective advocacy efforts are working
- Internal audit is gaining more and more attention among legislators and regulators
- There are a few places around the world where some form of a licensing system is recently being contemplated
- It seems that it is time to revisit our position

### Why Might Licensing be Beneficial?

- ✓ Create a way to keep unqualified people out of the profession
- ✓ Raise the profile, stature and visibility of the profession
- ✓ Clarify the difference between accounting, external auditing and internal auditing as separate and distinct professions
- ✓ Create a possible mandatory IIA membership requirement
- ✓ Require conformance with the Standards
- ✓ Enforce need for quality assurance reviews



### What are Challenges/Risks of Licensing?

- Licensing may have unintended consequences
  - May change how internal audit is defined around the world
  - May change how internal audit practiced and the associated standards in different countries
- A common global license is unlikely
  - Different licensing requirements
  - Transferability/reciprocity across countries

### What are Challenges/Risks of Licensing?

- Puts Affiliates at risk of non-conformance with their MRA
  - Relationship with IIA Global vs. local government
- Who manages the licensing once established?
  - If the Affiliate, it is a significant administrative burden



- If not the Affiliate, there is loss of control over managing the licensing activity
- Process for ethics complaints handling significantly elevated
- May create legal liability for the license issuer

#### What are our Plans/Next Steps?

- Small international task force to be established to study the issue
- To be chaired by Patty Miller
- To be launched in July
- Goal: Preliminary global position on licensing to be discussed with the Board at Midyear



### What do we Need you to do?

- Let IIA Global HQ know if:
  - A legislator or regulator is contemplating legislation affecting internal audit in your country
  - Your Affiliate had conversations that might initiate licensing of internal audit





# Global Advocacy

Anton van Wyk Past Chairman of the Board

#### Topics covered



#### Global Advocacy

Twofold mission

Influence global organizations

Support affiliates and other advocates

Supported by

IIA HQ staff

Global Advocacy Committee Chapter leaders and staff

Affiliate leaders and staff

Members and volunteers

**Others** 



### Mission: Influence global organizations

 e.g., ACCA, Basel, IFAC, INTOSAI, IOSCO, OECD, World Bank

- Goal:
  - Change their thinking
  - Change their actions
  - Make them advocates of internal auditing
- By:
  - Direct engagement
  - Presenting at conferences
  - Serving on relevant committees
  - Responding to exposures
  - Joint activities (e.g., research, training, producing a paper)



#### Mission: Support affiliates and other advocates

- Global Advocacy Platform
- Position Papers
- Global Advocacy Toolkit



#### Global Advocacy Platform

- First version launched 2011
- Fully revised and refreshed in 2016 to reflect
  - Changes in the Standards
  - Changes in the profession
  - Clearer structure
  - Expanded content (from four planks to six pillars)
  - Bolder style
- Designed to
  - Support advocacy communications
  - Allow for topical and local customization
  - Promote consistency globally



#### Global Advocacy Platform: Pillars

#### Pillars of good governance

- 1. Governance is essential to organizational success...
- 2. Internal audit is essential to governance...
- 3. Internal audit contributes to success, positive change, and innovation...
- 4. Internal audit is most effective when...
- 5. Internal audit contributes most value when...
- 6. Internal audit must be free from undue influence...

#### Advocacy toolkit – how it used to be



#### Advocacy Toolkit

Advocacy is defined by The IIA as instilling pride in the internal audit profession, encouraging change, and building relationships with organizations and stakeholders that impact the profession globally.

Over the years, The IIA has intensified our focus on what we terms "advocacy" — so much so, that advocacy is one of the three main objectives of The IIA's strategic plan.

These tools for Institute leaders will help you promote, support, and further the internal audit profession.

All documents related to this topic are displayed below.







#### Defined

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Advocacy defined

Processes established

Targets identified

Plans/objectives finalized

Advocacy efforts have begun. May include presentations at professional association meetings, seminars, conferences; studen visits; promotion through website

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Friends, family, neighbors, casual acquaintances

At work - business colleagues, clients IIA members, other internal auditors

Members of other professional associatio civic organizations

Conference/seminar attendees Students

Internet users

Explaining what internal auditors do Developing relationships with colleagues

Provide value-added internal audit service Embracing professionalism by following T Standards, acquiring CIA certification, implement quality assurance and improvement programs, pursue continuin education

Meeting people outside the profession of internal auditing and providing knowledge about internal auditing and The IIA. Networking

Writing articles for newsletters, website et

#### IIA Global Advocacy Partners

#### MOUs and Support Letters









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#### MOUs









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- Begin formation of alliances, define opportunities to work together, and provide mutual support
- Provide feedback and guidance to legislators and regulators on laws and regulations
- Provide guidance and comment on exposure drafts Participate in multi-disciplinary advisory groups, task forces, and working groups that impact the internal auditing profession, etc.

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- Testifying as an expert to legislative or regulatory groups
- Responding to frequent requests for expertise, comments, opinio
- Helping others advocate; becoming a mentor because of position



#### Coming soon

- Video tutorial
- Monthly communications
- Advocacy exchange
- More templates, letters, slide decks etc.
- Partners for advocacy
- New videos
- How to engage members in advocacy