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ISACA APPRECIATES THE EXPERTISE AND INSIGHTS PROVIDED BY ALL WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME AND KNOWLEDGE.

Our volunteers have helped ensure ISACA continues to be a leading global provider of knowledge, certifications, community, advocacy and education on information systems (IS) assurance and security, enterprise governance and management of IT, and IT-related risk and compliance. To publicly recognize our outstanding volunteers, ISACA’s Board of Directors has established several awards that honor individuals who exemplify ISACA’s values, purpose and leadership.
Michael Cangemi
Best Book/Article Award

This award was instituted during the 1996 – 97 year to recognize individuals for major contributions to publications in the field of IS audit, control and/or security.

Phillimon Zongo

“The Automation Conundrum” ISACA® Journal, volume 1, 2017

Phillimon Zongo is a Senior Cyber Security Consultant with AMP Financial Services in Australia. He is the winner of the ISACA Sydney’s first ever Industry Best Governance Professional 2016, a recognition from his industry peers for the thought leadership he is contributing to the technology risk and cyber security profession. Phillimon has contributed highly engaging thought leadership to ISACA—comprising articles, blogs and podcast on cloud computing, artificial intelligence, robotics and Internet of Things (IOT).

Phillimon has presented at ISACA Sydney’s professional development sessions. He also presented at the 2017 FST Media 2017 Future of Security Conference, one of Sydney’s largest cyber security events, which provided cutting edge insights on innovation and security. Phillimon has also been featured as a guest lecturer at Macquarie University, providing students with practical insights on how to use advanced audit techniques to drive audit efficiencies and provide deeper insights to business stakeholders.

Phillimon has more than 12 years of technology risk consulting experience, advising senior business and technology stakeholders on how to manage critical risk in complex technology transformation programs. Prior to joining AMP, he spent approximately six years with Big Four consulting firms (Deloitte & PwC) conducting assurance reviews across complex IT environments and business processes, mostly large international banks.

Phillimon is deeply passionate about raising the profile of cyber risk with policy makers, senior business executives and frontline staff. To that end, he is authoring Five Pillars of Cyber Resilience, a book aimed to translate complicated cyber security issues into understandable, relatable and practical guidance for senior business leaders to cost effectively mitigate the growing threat of cybercrime within their enterprises.

Phillimon’s personal journey, including how he leveraged ISACA’s global certifications to propel his dreams, was featured by the ISACA Now blog.
Eugene M. Frank Award for Meritorious Performance

This award is named after ISACA’s first Chair and recognizes individuals for outstanding contributions to ISACA/ITGI. This award is for performance which far exceeds the norm, and nominations are accepted only from a current board member or past Chair.

Greg Grocholski, CISA
ISACA Board President 2012–2013

Greg Grocholski, CISA, is a member of ISACA’s Governance Committee and past chair of ISACA. He is also vice president, Global Internal Audit, at SABIC, where he leads and manages the internal audit department on a global level, to ensure the implementation of internal audit best practices worldwide. Previously, he was global business finance director for the Ventures and Business Development unit within The Dow Chemical Company, a role he took after serving as chief audit executive at Dow. Grocholski has been chair of ISACA’s Finance Committee, Assurance Committee and Knowledge Board, and member of ISACA’s Strategic Advisory Council, Audit Committee, Professional Influence and Advocacy Committee, and Professional Issues Task Force. He is a board member of the Michigan Baseball Foundation and vice president/treasurer of the Great Lakes Loons. In 2013, he received the Saginaw Valley State University’s Distinguished Alumni Award in recognition of his distinguished service and accomplishments. He was a director of ISACA from 2011–2012, and chair from 2012–2013.
John Kuyers Award for Best Speaker/Conference Contributor

This award was instituted during the 1996-1997 year to recognize individuals for major contributions in the development of ISACA global conference(s) and/or outstanding speaking achievements.

Justine Bone

“For outstanding presentations at the 2016 CSX conferences and for helping raise awareness of the Connecting Women Leaders in Technology initiative and Cybersecurity Nexus Program.”

Justine is an information technology and security executive with background in software security research, risk management, information security governance, and identity management. Justine currently serves as the CEO of cyber security company MedSec, a vulnerability research and security solutions company focused on medical devices and healthcare systems. Her previous roles include Global Chief Information Security Officer at Dow Jones, a News Corporation company and publisher of the Wall Street Journal, Global Head of Information and Physical Security at Bloomberg L.P., CTO of Secured Worldwide, an NYC-based FinTech company, and CEO of security research firm Immunity Inc. Justine is an experienced international media and conference presenter, an invited member of the BlackHat USA guest review board, a pwnie awards judge, an advisor to several technology startups, and an advisor to the Canadian security conference Countermeasures. She began her career as a vulnerability researcher with Internet Security Systems (now IBM) X-Force and New Zealand’s Government Communications Security Bureau. She also has a background in the performing arts as an ex-dancer with the Royal New Zealand Ballet company.
John W. Lainhart IV
Common Body of Knowledge Award

This award is given to recognize individuals for major contributions to the development and enhancement of the common body of knowledge used by constituents of the Association.

Ian James Cooke, CISA, CGEIT, CRISC
“For contributions to the development and enhancement of ISACA publications and certification training modules.”

Ian Cooke, CISA, CGEIT, CRISC, COBIT Assessor and Implementer, CFE, CPTE, DipFM, ITIL Foundation, Six Sigma Green Belt, is the Group IT Audit Manager with An Post (the Irish Post Office based in Dublin, Ireland) and has 30 years of experience in all aspects of information systems. Cooke has served on several ISACA committees including the CGEIT Exam Item Development Working Group. He is the community leader for the Oracle Databases, SQL Server Databases, and Audit Tools and Techniques discussions in the ISACA Knowledge Center. Cooke updated the CISA Review Manual for the 2016 job practices and was a subject matter expert for ISACA’s CISA Online Review Course. He is currently working on the CRISC Online Review Course. Cooke has written several ISACA Now blogs and Journal articles. He is the new columnist for IS Audit Basics in the ISACA Journal.
Harold Weiss Award for Outstanding Achievement

This award was instituted in 1985 to recognize individuals for dedication to the IT governance profession. It is for achievement that far exceeds the norm.

**Tichaona Zororo, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC, COBIT 5 Assessor, CIA, CRMA**

“For leadership in enhancing ISACA’s presence in South Africa and our global community and for promoting COBIT 5.”

Tichaona Zororo, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC, Certified COBIT 5 Assessor, CIA, CRMA, is an IT advisory executive with EGIT (Enterprise Governance IT (Pty) Ltd., an IT Advisory firm based in South Africa. He has several years of experience in main stream IT, IT auditing, security, governance and risk, across private and public sectors in Africa, Europe and Asia. He is an advisor to a number of boards and boards of directors, IT and business leaders across the globe on the utilization of disruptive technologies to create and preserve stakeholder value, governance and management of enterprise IT, IT risk, cyber security and IT auditing. He was involved in the development of numerous ISACA white papers and COBIT 5 publications. A renowned COBIT 5 expert, advisor and trainer, Zororo is credited for being the first COBIT 5 Certified Assessor in Southern Africa. He has served on the ISACA Framework Committee, CGEIT Test Enhancement Subcommittee and External Advocacy Committee, and is the current president of ISACA South Africa Chapter.
Paul Williams Award for Inspirational Leadership

This award is given to an ISACA volunteer to recognize strategic leadership accomplishments on ISACA’s behalf. The recipient shall have contributed to ISACA over the course of several years and shall have far exceeded the norm in achieving strategic results and/or driving ISACA’s strategy forward.

Leonard Ong, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC

“For strong volunteer leadership in expanding ISACA’s engagement with ISACA chapters as well as collaborating with other regional and global organizations.”

Leonard Ong, CISA, CISM, CRISC, CGEIT, CPP, CFE, PMP, CIPM, CIPT, CISSP, ISSMP-ISSAP, CSSLP, CITBCM, GCIA, GCIH, GSNA, GCFA (Singapore), is associate director at Merck. He has more than 16 years of experience in cyber and corporate security in the telecommunication, enterprise, banking and pharmaceutical industries. He leads the governance, risk management, regulatory and compliance platform for Asia Pacific and Japan within IT Risk Management and Security in Merck & Co., Inc. (also known as MSD International). Prior to that, he was with Barclays Capital as Head of Information Security Risk & Operation, Asia-Pacific. During his tenure with Nokia Siemens Networks, he established professional security services for regional telecommunication carriers to secure their networks. He spent four years in Nokia Corporate Security and was responsible for securing Nokia businesses in seven countries in the Asia-Pacific region. Ong has served the ISACA Singapore Chapter as president for two terms. He has also served as honorary chairman for the ASIS International Chapter.

He has received recognition from leading information security associations such as (ISC)² and ASIS International. The National Infocomm Competency Centre (NICC) named Ong IT Specialist of the Year in 2005. He was awarded (ISC)² Information Security Leadership Achievement (ISLA)—Senior Information Security Professional category in 2011, and ASIS International Professional Certification Board (PCB) Regional Award in 2014. He was instrumental in achieving the K. Wayne Snipes Award in recognition of the ISACA Singapore Chapter being the best very large chapter in Asia. IDG and CEO/CIO Club presented Ong with ASEAN CSO Honoree in 2015.
President’s Award

This award recipient is selected solely by the Chair each year and is presented for gratitude and dedication to service and leadership.

Prof. Andre Pitkowski, CGEIT, CRISC

ISACA Director

Andre Pitkowski, CGEIT, CRISC, OCTAVE, CRMA, ISO27kLA, ISO31kLA, COBIT 5 Foundations Trainer, is a principal consultant with APIT Consultoria de Informática Ltd. (Brazil). With 25 years’ experience, Pitkowski manages projects for risk assessment on critical assets, risk maps and IT projects for IT governance and compliance (using COBIT) at national and international companies. He frequently presents on COBIT at events worldwide and is a professor of post-graduate and MBA courses at universities in Brazil. He has been a member of ISACA’s Framework Committee, a subject matter expert for COBIT 5 and COBIT 5 for Risk, and the Cybersecurity Nexus (CSX) Liaison for Brazil. His is also president of the ISACA Sao Paulo Chapter.
Edward G. Schwartz, CISA, CISM
ISACA Director

Eddie Schwartz, CISA, CISM, CISSP-ISSEP, PMP, is executive vice president of Cyber Services for Dark Matter. He has more than 25 years of experience in the information security field, and is a globally recognized security expert and speaker. He served as president and COO of WhiteOps, global vice president of cyber security services for Verizon, and vice president and chief information security officer (CISO) for RSA. Prior to RSA, he was CSO of NetWitness (which he co-founded and which was acquired by EMC), CTO of ManTech, EVP and general manager of Global Integrity (acquired by INS), SVP of Operations of Guardent (acquired by VeriSign), CISO of Nationwide Insurance, a senior computer scientist at CSC, and a Foreign Service officer with the U.S. Dept. of State. Schwartz is a recipient of the 2015 George Mason School of Business 20 Prominent Patriots in Business Award, and 2013 Computerworld Premier 100 IT Leaders Award. He is a Distinguished Fellow of the Ponemon Institute and an adjunct professor of Cyber Security at George Mason University. He serves on the advisory boards for Observable Networks and My Digital Shield, Inc. He also serves as the vice president and treasurer of the ISSA National Capital Chapter, and has chaired ISACA’s Cyber Security Working Group.
Jeff M. Spivey, CRISC

Jeff M. Spivey, CRISC, CPP, is founder and CEO of Security Risk Management, Inc., where he manages innovation initiatives of unified security programs, covering cyber security and traditional security risk management programs globally. Spivey has more than 30 years' experience building enterprise strategy and programs for unified security risk management and security governance capabilities. He is strategy advisor for RiskIQ, discovering cyber security threats outside the firewall, and is an Advisory Board member for Netswitch/Securlti global integrated cybersecurity platform. He is also a founding member of the Cloud Security Alliance, co-founder of the Global Security Risk Management Alliance (GSRMA), member of the US State Department’s Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC). He has served as chair of ISACA’s Relations Board, co-chair of ISACA’s External Advocacy Committee, trustee of the IT Governance Institute, and a member of ISACA’s Strategic Advisory Council, Knowledge Management Task Force, Governance Committee, and Finance Committee. He is a past president/chairman of the board for ASIS International and served on the Advisory Board for the National Center for Judicial Security.
ISACA Chapter Awards

ISACA is proud to recognize the most active and engaging chapters who, by supporting the membership and professional community locally, also support ISACA’s purpose and promise. Recipients are typically selected by chapter size.

Chapter Size Categories:
- Very Large = 801+ members
- Medium = 101 – 299 members
- Large = 300 – 800 members
- Small = 0 – 100 members

COMMUNICATIONS EXCELLENCE AWARD
The Communications Excellence Award recognizes chapters who plan and execute great communications with their constituents through a variety of channels.
- Small: Coimbatore
- Medium: Valencia
- Large: Vancouver
- Very Large: Malaysia

CHAPTER GROWTH AWARD
The Chapter Growth Award is calculated at the end of each calendar year.
- Small: Belgrade (39% growth)
- Medium: South Carolina Midlands (30% growth)
- Large: Istanbul (28% growth)
- Very Large: Netherlands (14% growth)

CHAPTER RETENTION AWARD
The Chapter Retention Award is calculated at the end of the membership renewal cycle.
- Small: Fukuoka (98% retention)
- Medium: Latvia (95% retention)
- Large: Denmark (95% retention)
- Very Large: Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland, Tokyo (90% retention)

K. WAYNE SNIPES CHAPTER RECOGNITION AWARD
Established in 1989, the K. Wayne Snipes Chapter Recognition Award provides recognition to the chapters that meet or exceed service goals by actively supporting local membership, and thus ISACA. The award is evaluated based on criteria from the Chapter Annual Reports such as educational offerings, compliance with HQ requirements, attendance at chapter meetings and events, service projects, and much more.

2016 WORLDWIDE WINNERS
- Small: Curaçao
- Medium: Buenos Aires
- Large: South Carolina Midlands
- Very Large: New Jersey

REGIONAL WINNERS

ASIA
- Small: Vijayawada
- Medium: Sri Lanka
- Large: Bangkok
- Very Large: Manila

AFRICA
- Small: Ibadan
- Medium: Mauritius
- Large: Accra
- Very Large: Kenya

LATIN AMERICA
- Medium: Buenos Aires
- Large: Puerto Rico

NORTH AMERICA
- Small: Curaçao
- Medium: Rhode Island
- Large: South Carolina Midlands
- Very Large: New Jersey and New York Metropolitan (tie)

EUROPE
- Medium: Latvia
- Large: Scotland
- Very Large: Madrid

OCEANIA
- Medium: Wellington
2016 ISACA Certification Exam High Scores

Each year, a variety of awards relating to the CISA, CRISC, CISM and CGEIT certifications are presented. Worldwide top and second highest scorers in June, September and December exams are recognized, as is the highest scorer in each geographic area for each exam.

**THOMAS H. FITZGERALD AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the highest worldwide score on the 2016 CISA examinations.
- June: Alfred Chapman Watts, CISA
- September: Anonymous
- December: Catherine Meleady, CISA, CRISC

**CISA WORLDWIDE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the second highest worldwide score on the 2016 CISA examinations.
- June: Michael David Griggs, CISA
- September: Wang Jianxia, Murat Sahin, CISA and Sari Greene, CISA, CISM, CRISC
- December: Lars Drejer Olsen, CISA

**CISM WORLDWIDE EXCELLENCE AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the highest worldwide score on the CISM examinations.
- June: Andrei Ioan Hohan and Dean Henry, CISM
- September: Jesse Niland, CISM
- December: Clive Nettey

**CISM WORLDWIDE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the second highest worldwide score on the 2016 CISM examinations.
- June: Michael Robert Butler, CISM and Jon Litchfield, CISA, CISM
- September: Grover Eric Paxton, CISM
- December: Ronald Schekman, CISA, CISM and Miriam I. Lane

**CGEIT WORLDWIDE EXCELLENCE AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the highest worldwide score on the 2016 CGEIT examinations.
- June: Christopher S. Lietz, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC
- December: Lim Kok Hwee

**CGEIT WORLDWIDE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the second highest worldwide score on the 2016 CGEIT examinations.
- June: Brian K. Johnson, CISA, CISM, CGEIT
- December: Hugh Jones, CGEIT, CRISC

**CRISC WORLDWIDE EXCELLENCE AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the highest worldwide score on the 2016 CRISC examinations.
- June: Vinko Zlomislic, CISA, CISM, CRISC and Tomasz Brozek, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC
- December: Siu Kin Ming, CRISC

**CRISC WORLDWIDE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the second highest worldwide score on the 2016 CRISC examinations.
- December: Frans Johan Hut, CISA, CISM, CRISC

**CISA GEOGRAPHIC EXCELLENCE AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CISA examinations.
- June: Area 1 Paul D. Freeborn, CISA
- Area 2 Ignacio Marambio Catan, CISA, CRISC
- Area 3 John Röder, CISA and Costas Ethymiou, CISA
- September: Area 2 Pedro Luis Flores Suarez, CISA
- Area 5 Scott Aaron Williams
- December: Area 1 Chen Yee Wei, CISA and Weijian Zeng, CISA
- Area 2 Guery Javier Salcedo Miranda, Sr.
- Area 5 Dylan Hopkins

**CISA GEOGRAPHIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** Given in recognition for achieving the second highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CISA examinations.
- June: Area 1 Eros Dela Rosa Herrera
- Area 2 Felipe De Menes Morais, CISA, CRISC
- Area 5 Gillian Bydevaate, CISA, CISM
- September: Area 1 Mayank Jain
- Area 2 Alejandro Antonio Diego Duffilhot, CISA
- Area 3 Anthony Shaun Dench, CISA
- Area 3 Michael Sterling, CISA
- December: Area 2 Aldo Oscar Marchena Adames, CISA
- Area 3 Sebastien Asselin, CISA, CRISC, Mohammad Nikkar Esfahani, CISA and Alexander Papitsch, CISA, CISM
- Area 4 Andrew B. Close, CISA, CRISC
- Area 5 Jonathan Chun Ho Lam
CISM GEOGRAPHIC EXCELLENCE AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CISM examinations.

June
Area 1 Derek Koon Wing Li, CISA, CISM
Area 2 Thales Fernandes De Souza, CISM, CGEIT
Area 5 James John Anastasios, CISA, CISM

September
Area 1 Bo Jin, CISA
Area 2 Jose Alexander Realpe Gonzalez
Area 3 Kevin Fielder, CISM and Mark Lees
Area 5 Yuanyuan Shen, CISM

December
Area 1 Abdur-Rahman Husain
Area 2 Edwin Orrico, CISM

CISM GEOGRAPHIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the second highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CISM examinations.

June
Area 1 Farid Kapasi, CISA, CISM
Area 2 Andres Duffour
Area 5 Lachlan McGill, CISM

September
Area 1 Pakho Tsui, CISA, CISM, CRISC, Lai Hung-Chieh, CISA, CISM, Adrian Wee Siong Min, CISM, and Shane Scott Calhoun, CISM
Area 2 Alberto Jose Espana, CISM and Marco Antonio Leon Hidalgo
Area 5 Matt Funnell, CISA, CISM

December
Area 2 Jan A. Nunez, CISA, CISM
Area 3 Henryk Kolek and Abtin Shamsaifar, CISM
Area 4 Stephen Blossom, CISM
Area 5 Raymond Zheng, CISA, CISM

CGEIT GEOGRAPHIC EXCELLENCE AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CGEIT examinations.

June
Area 1 Zhao Jiechun
Area 2 Alejandra Selva, CISA
Area 3 Laura Ferrari, Meggie Vervelghie, CISA, and M. Wassim Amouri, CISA, CGEIT
Area 5 Miriam Anne De Rooy

December
Area 2 Joseph Ryan, CGEIT
Area 3 Benjamin Henriksen, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC and Van Dorp Willem Hendrik
Area 5 Ross Cameron Peachey, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC

CGEIT GEOGRAPHIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the second highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CGEIT examinations.

June
Area 1 Yernar Suyerbayev, CISA, CRISC
Area 2 Adad Esau Rivas Hernandez, Sr., CISM, CGEIT
Area 5 Roxanne Kim Guesnon

December
Area 1 Christoph Schulte, CISA
Area 2 Antonio Gerardo Laguna, CGEIT
Area 4 Darin DeBoer, CGEIT
Area 5 Richard Archambault, CGEIT

CRISC GEOGRAPHIC EXCELLENCE AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CRISC examinations.

June
Area 1 Kishor Mohanrao Jagadale, CISA, CISM
Area 2 Rafael Roberto Hernandez Gaud, CISM, CRISC
Area 5 Christian Roland Haider, CISA, CISM, CGEIT, CRISC

December
Area 2 Carlos Eduardo Luis, CISA, CISM, CRISC
Area 5 Gabor Sirko, CISA, CRISC

CRISC GEOGRAPHIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Given in recognition for achieving the second highest score in the geographic area on the 2016 CRISC examinations.

June
Area 2 Lim Kok Hwee
Area 2 Elias Nemesio Martinez Perez, CISA, CISM, CRISC and Sonia Alicia Trabanino, CISA, CRISC
Area 4 Kathy Lynn Knight, CISA, CRISC
Area 5 Daniel Meakins, CISA, CRISC

December
Area 1 Max Oates
Area 2 Pablo Ignacio Silva Espinoza, CISA, CRISC
Area 3 Pedro Saraiva, CISM
Area 5 Adam Wood