Cloud Computing: Differences in Auditing the IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS

Wednesday, February 20, 2013
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Deloitte and Touche
500 College Road East, Princeton, New Jersey 08540

Note: this event is sold out.
You may still register to get on the waitlist

Cloud computing is the layman’s term for technology that control professionals have grappled with as they were introduced into enterprise infrastructure: grid, cloud, utility computing, virtualization, Service Oriented Architecture (SOA), and Software as a Service (SaaS).

SaaS-like acronyms has been employed to differentiate Infrastructure and Platform clouds (i.e., IaaS and PaaS) from cloud services which offer only end-user application software. Cloud environments may be hosted both internally and externally, but the concept of “cloud” typically refers not just to the technology but also to the fact that the technology is outsourced. These types of outsourcing arrangements may be
large-scale or small-scale. This seminar introduces technology control professional to various perspectives on cloud computing and recommends approaches to minimize enterprise risk.

To learn more about this event and to register for the seminar waitlist, click here.

SAP Controls & Best Practices

Wednesday & Thursday
March 13 & 14, 2013
8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

AVAYA Inc.
211 Mount Airy Road, Basking Ridge, NJ

This training course is for individuals who want to be able to analyze and explore the audit challenges inherent in SAP R/3™ and SAP ECC™ during implementation, delivery, and processing. The course will focus on an audit toolkit required to perform audit tasks that are necessary for internal and external auditors. Participants will gain an understanding of the technical and structured features that are available in SAP to gain an understanding of SAP User Administration, default settings, integrity configuration, SAP security, and SAP segregation of duties. The course includes lectures, documentation, and examples of SAP applications.

Attendees will better manage SAP risks by learning key controls for the following topics:

- SAP Product Overview Session
- Navigation Within SAP Session
- Organization Model and Importance Session
- SAP Security Session
- SAP BASIS – An Audit Point of View Session
- SAP Risk Areas Session
- SAP Project Overview Session
- Financial FI Overview Session
- Segregation of Duties Session

For more information and to register to attend this event, click here.
NJ ISACA Seeks New Jersey Photos for Our Chapter Website

The next InfoNet will be published in March, the beginning of Spring. Do you have a special photo showing a Spring scene in NJ that you’d like to share? Send it to us and it may show up on our chapter website home page! Send your photo to president@njisaca.org by February 22, 2013. Your email should include your name, phone number, email address, and the specific location where the photo was taken. The photo must be taken by you or a family member. Send a separate email for each photo. No more than three entries per member. Photos must be a 500 px size jpg in landscape orientation.

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Join Our Linkedin Groups

Membership in the group continues to grow. We currently have over 720 members who can share contact information, post questions and comments, and view job postings. Membership crosses all levels of experience and seniority in the profession. Don't miss this opportunity to interact with your fellow professionals. Check us out here.

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Certification News:  
CPE Policy Updates

The CPE policies for all ISACA certification programs have been updated to reflect the following changes and policy clarifications that went into effect on January 1, 2013:

- Clarifications have been included regarding how CPE hours are earned for various qualifying activities.
- Modifications have been made to reflect how CPE credit is to be earned and recorded. CPE hours can now be reported in one-quarter hour increments (rounded down to the nearest quarter hour).
- All appeals resulting in reinstatements related to revocations that are more than 60 days old require a US $50 reinstatement fee. This reinstatement fee is in addition to any back or current certification maintenance fees needed to make the certified individual compliant with the CPE policy.

If you have any questions regarding the above announcements, please feel free to send your question to Certifications@NJISACA.org

ISACA Research Deliverables

ISACA actively promotes research that results in the development of products that IT governance, control, assurance, risk, and security professionals can use to add value to their enterprises. ISACA research also informs information technology management and users about IS controls and the critical role they play in their organizations. The following is a list of recent research deliverables from ISACA. Members of the NJISACA Research Review Team have served as expert reviewers in several of the publications. In addition, the New Jersey Chapter is also a sponsor of the SOC 2 User Guide.

- COBIT Assessment Program Using COBIT 5
- Outsourced IT Environments Audit/Assurance Program
- Personally Identifiable Information (PII) Audit/Assurance Program
- BYOD Audit/Assurance Program - Dec 2012
- Business Continuity Management: Emerging Trends - Dec 2012
- Biometrics Audit/Assurance Program - Nov 2012
- VPN Security Audit/Assurance Program - Oct 2012
- E-commerce and Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) Audit/Assurance Program - Oct 2012
- Cybercrime Audit/Assurance Program - Oct 2012
- 2012 Cloud Computing Market Maturity Study Results - Sep 2012
- Security Considerations for Cloud Computing - Sep 2012

If you have a research topic relating to IT governance, control, assurance, risk, and security that you wish to be considered for publication in the Chapter website, ISACA Journal, or ISACA Bookstore, please submit your proposed research topic, objectives, value to the IT Control professionals, and a proposed outline for the research to Lily Shue at Research@NJISACA.ORG.
If you would like to be considered for the expert review team for future ISACA research projects, please submit a brief biography summary detailing your expertise and experience to Lily Shue at Research@NJISACA.ORG.

Philadelphia Chapter
Academic Scholarship Competition

_Last chance to enter!

The Philadelphia ISACA Chapter invites essay entries for their 2012 – 2013 Academic Scholarship Competition. Full-time graduate and undergraduate students in good standing, who are living in NJ, PA, or DE or enrolled in college in NJ, PA, or DE, are invited to write an essay on one of the following IT audit and controls-related topics:

1. Identifying Fraud With Technology
2. Future Risks in Cybercrime & Cyberwar
3. Privacy Regulation Auditing

Submissions will be reviewed by the Philadelphia ISACA Chapter Grants & Scholarships Committee. Essays will be evaluated based on innovation and originality, ideas, relevance, clarity of thought, demonstrated understanding of the subject matter, organization, spelling, punctuation, and grammar. Scholarships will be awarded to the top two submissions.

1st Place Winner: $1,500.00
2nd Place Winner: $1,000.00

Our scholarship award winners will have their essay published in the Philadelphia ISACA Chapter Newsletter. The students will also receive a one-year membership to the ISACA organization.

Deadline for essay submissions is March 1, 2013.

Please review the Scholarship Announcement document for detailed participation criteria and required forms. If you have any questions, please contact Agnes Peraino, Philadelphia Chapter Scholarship Committee Chair, at aperaino@sengatech.com.