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President's Message

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Greetings fellow ISACA® New York Metro members:

Summer has ended :-(but all of us on the Board of Directors are very exited about what he have planned for this Fall.

As I mentioned previously, the Metro New York Chapter was selected to host the annual President's Council Meeting ("PCM") conference this year. This is when regional chapter leaders converge to discuss various things we do to make our chapters better and share ideas. We are very honored to host delegates from other ISACA® Board of Directors. The conference is over a weekend in October - and will surely spark some new thoughts about how we can improve perhaps the most dynamic chapter in the world.

We are still #1 in North America and #2 in the world, by the way, in terms of size, and the recent membership statistics put us not too far behind ISACA®'s largest chapter, Tokyo. We are closing in fast - and based on our growth trajectory, can surpass them in a few months. Not that we have any competition with anyone other than ourselves, but we always strive to be #1 in the world and that goal may be realized soon. We'll be watching this closely.

As noted in previous eNewsletters, we are sponsoring a joint conference with the New York IIA chapter on October 26, 2012. The conference is an all-day event with three different tracks (Auditing, Risk Management, and Security) to appeal to a wide range of interests. I'll be kicking the conference off by moderating a panel of industry experts discussing trends in IT Governance, a very hot topic these days. Check the website soon for registration details and save the date! I am also giving a session on IT Governance at an IIA conference on September 14, 2012. I'm very happy that we are doing more with the IIA - as many of our members belong to both organizations. We worked out a deal whereby ISACA® members get the IIA NY member rate to their conferences as well.

Please see below for more updates - and be sure to check out the first-ever international webinar for CGEIT® training the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter is hosting. This is not only a great way to prepare for the exam, but if you wanted to learn about IT governance, this is the training for you - and you don't have to go to a classroom to do it. More information on this is in the *Certification* section below.

So, until next time, all the best and please help us make it to #1 in the world. We'll keep doing what we do best - like providing world-class educational, networking, and membership events, but tell a friend about us or bring them to an ISACA® event, and see if it's a good fit for them to join. Hopefully, they'll see the same value that you do.

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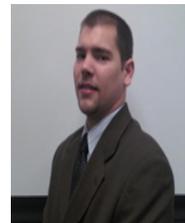
Upcoming Webinars

- **Securing your Virtualized Environment:** Tuesday, September 18, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). Learn what to look out for when starting your journey to the Cloud. Trend Micro will walk through the factors preventing organizations from using virtualization more pervasively, security inhibitors, and some solutions to build security in your virtualized environment. Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

- **Desktop Virtualization VMware View 5.1:** Tuesday, September 25, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). Learn what is new in VMware View 5! This webinar will include information on Centralized Image and Policy Management, Virtual Desktop Manager Authentication, Security, Management, as well as many new features to enhance user experience, expand IT Control, and support Cloud Infrastructure. Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

- **Part 1 of 5: COBIT 5 - Governance & Decision Making:** Tuesday, October 16, 2012 (12:00 PM -1:00 PM (Eastern Time). With COBIT® 5, the new Evaluate, Direct and Monitor (EDM) domain was added in order to address the Governance of Enterprise IT (GEIT). This webinar discusses the objectives of EDM and the supporting processes. Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

- **COBIT 5 Summary:** Tuesday, October 23, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (Eastern Time). This course provides a high level summary view of COBIT® 5 and describes the five domains and the separation of Governance of Enterprise IT (GEIT) from the Management of Enterprise IT (MEIT). A discussion of the enabler model, the process assessment model, and the proposed path for future ISACA® credentials for practitioners and auditors is provided. Click here for

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- **COBIT 5 for Information Security:** Tuesday, October 30, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). COBIT® 5 for Information Security builds upon the COBIT® 5 framework, in that it focuses on information security and provides more detailed and practical guidance for information security professionals and other interested parties at all levels of the enterprise. Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

- **Perspectives on Enterprise Risk Using COBIT 5:** Tuesday, November 6, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). The release of COBIT® 5 for Information Security from ISACA® comes at a time when the IT threat landscape is changing drastically. This webinar discusses how organizations can use the updated framework to mitigate the risks. Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

- **Part 2 of 5: COBIT® 5 - Managing the Plan:** Tuesday, November 20, 2012 (12:00 PM - 1:00 PM Eastern Time). The move to COBIT® 5 is not simply a cosmetic change, the COBIT® 4.1 PO domain has evolved to the APO domain and with it an improved model for Aligning, Planning, and Organizing activities in the Management of Enterprise IT (MEIT). Click here for more information and to register for *FREE*.

Additional webinars and a one-day classes on COBIT® 5 will be announced later this month. Be sure to check our website for updates!

If you would like to present to the Chapter, consider using our webinar series to share your knowledge.

Volunteers for the Education Committee are always welcome. Email education@isacany.org or Alexander Josephite (Committee Chair) to learn how to get involved.

Membership

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Upcoming Events

- **September 13, 2012:** 7th Annual Golf Outing at the North Shore Towers Country Club in Floral Park. See details in the *Special Events* section below.

- **October 10, 2012:** 1st Quarter Membership Meeting at Allianz Global Investors, 1345 Avenue of the Americas.

- **October 26, 2012:** NY IIA & ISACA® NY Metro Conference at the UFT Building, 52 Broadway, NYC. See details in the *Education* section above.

Recent Events - On September 6, 2012, the Chapter held a special Summer Social and New Member welcome event at Battery Gardens. It was great to spend time with so many new members who either joined or transferred into the Chapter between January 1 and August 15, 2012. We look forward to repeating this fun event next year with more new members!

New Members @ A Glance - We are proud to announce the launch of the New Members @ A Glance webpage. This webpage provides our new and returning members with a quick reference guide to "Who we are" and the benefits the New York Metro Chapter offers to our membership and the profession. The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter is the largest chapter in North America with over 2,800 members, and we are committed to continuing to grow our Chapter by providing our members

2,000 members, and we are committed to continuing to grow our Chapter by providing our members with resources and tools to achieve success in their careers. We will continue to embody the principles of ISACA® International, and offer opportunities and benefits to maximize value to our Membership. Click here for more information.

Welcome to our new and returning Chapter members. The New York Metro Chapter now has 2,816 members - an increase of over 100 new members in this August 2012! Check our website to see who's new.

ISACA®'s Member Get A Member Campaign - Recruit new members and have a chance to win monthly prizes and recognition. Visit the ISACA® website for more information.

Recommendations and suggestions are welcome for speakers, sponsors, venues, and topics for future membership meetings and conferences. Email your recommendations and suggestions to membership@isacany.org.

Volunteers are always needed for membership events and to assist in Chapter activities and projects. Learn more...

Join or Renew online today quickly and securely at www.isaca.org. Don't miss out on the many benefits of membership.

Certification

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Now that summer has come to an end, it is time to focus on education and certifications! Here are two things you should be aware of:

- If you are going for CISA®, CISM®, CGEIT®, or CRISC® certifications, you have a deadline of October 3, 2012 to register for the exam with ISACA® International.

- If you would like to attend the Chapter's certification exam prep classes to prepare for an upcoming exam, the deeply discounted "Early Bird" rate ends on September 30, 2012.

The following are the links for the upcoming certification exam prep classes:

- **CISA® Exam Preparation Course - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

- **CISA® Exam Preparation Course and IT Boot Camp Package Deal - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

- **One Day IT Boot Camp for CISA® and CISM® - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

- **CISM® Exam Preparation Course - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

- **CRISC® Exam Preparation Course - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

- **CGEIT® Exam Preparation Global Webinar - Fall 2012:** Click here for more information and to register.

It pays to attend the certification exam prep classes. Larisa Pecherskaya of Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi attended the CISA® exam prep class in Spring 2012 and got the highest score in the New York Metro Chapter. Alexandra Chtchedrina of Ernst & Young attended the CRISC® exam prep class and got second highest score in the Chapter. We are not just a chapter, the New York Metro Chapter is second largest in the world (after Tokyo) and the largest English speaking chapter in the world. And it is also the most active and competitive chapter by talent.

Many of you have questions about ISACA® certifications and exam prep classes. For example: What are the certifications and exam prep classes for? How do you prepare? How do certifications apply to and help your career? Jay Ranade, a certification exam prep instructor, has created a one hour *FREE* webinar on this subject. Click here to view.

If you are interested in pursuing a certification or sponsoring a certification class facility, please contact certification@isacsany.org or Kwongmei To (Committee Chair).

Special Events

Member Survey

The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter will be launching the "Let's Remain #1 - Member Survey".

Our goal is to ensure that we are providing our members with the resources, training, and education needed to expand their professional development opportunities. Your feedback matters and will be utilized to maximize the benefits we offer to our members. This can only be accomplished by participating in this 3-minute survey. Upon completion, your name will be entered into a drawing to win a $50.00 gift card. You can be 1 of 5 winners!!! The survey will be available by the end of September. More details to come.

Golf Outing

Right now, please go to your calendar and/or appointment book and block out the afternoon on Thursday, September 13, 2012! Why? Because it's the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter's annual Golf Outing.

Take a half-day out of the office and co-mingle business and golf with your peers and counterparts at the beautiful North Shore Towers Country Club in Floral Park (located right on the Queens/Nassau line). No trekking off to New Jersey or upstate New York or out to the end of Long Island.

It's a shot-gun start at 1:00 PM. The format is "best ball" which is a great stress reducer for us hackers and also keeps the pace faster. FYI, "best ball" is when 4 players hit. Then the team selects who had the best shot and the other three players take their next shot from that point. BTW, if you are a foursome that can give Tiger Woods a run for his money, it's also fine to play your own ball every shot. Afterward, join us for a wonderful dinner and great raffle prizes. You don't have to be a par golfer to snag the big prize - just hold the lucky ticket!

Everyone is welcome! Network with your peers, reward your management team, or extend the opportunity for both your Financial Audit and/or Information Systems co-workers to meet in a more casual setting. Perhaps you can invite one of your major vendors and review your strategies (or, better yet, see if they want to bring you!)

It's a great day and we hope to see you there. More details can be found on the Chapter website.

Our Leadership

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The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter Board of Directors consists of 20 Board Members plus the last 3 past Presidents. Like our membership, the Board represents a wide array of backgrounds and come from many industries including Financial Services, Consulting, Education, Entertainment, and Retail. The Board meets monthly to discuss the Chapter's new and old business and the status of projects being performed by Board Committees.

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