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New York Metropolitan Chapter



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

[Alexander Josephite](#)

What a Winter! I'm happy to report that between storms, the Board of Directors and dedicated volunteers continue to organize outstanding programs to promote and elevate the visibility of the IT risk, security, assurance and governance professions throughout the metro New York region. Be it presentations to college students, webinars, education classes, certification review courses, 1/2 day conferences, or membership meetings we are sure to have an event you'll be interested in attending.



On behalf of the 2013-2014 Board of Directors, I am happy to invite you to join our winning team by either nominating a colleague or yourself to serve as a Chapter Board Director for the 2014-2015 Term. Nominations will be accepted through February 21st, so submit your form before it's too late!

Our next big event is the Past Presidents and Newly Certified Members Reception on March 19th. I hope you can take a break from your 'busy season' and join us for some great refreshments and networking at the Union League Club.

"Make a Difference"

Alexander Josephite, CISA, CIA, CFSA
ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter President

EDUCATION

The Education Committee consisting of Alex Abramov, Ekta Chandler, Amarpreet Nanda, Kwongmei To,

Sabine Charles, Emma Arakelyan and Alex Josephite are putting together a diverse education schedule to support IT Risk, Security, Assurance and Governance professionals alike.

Upcoming Education Events

Upcoming Chapter Webinars:

[Demonstrating That Your Mainframe Security is Complete](#) Presented by Stu Henderson; February 17th, 12-1 PM EST

[Clear Explanation of Encryption and Digital Certificates](#) Presented by Stu Henderson; March 17th 12-1 PM EST

Upcoming International Webinars:

[People Centric Communications: Marketing Internal Audit & Conflict Management](#) February, 20 12-1 PM EST

[GEIT Ecosystems](#) February 27th, 12-1 PM EST

[Five Ways to Revolutionize Your Disaster Recovery Strategy](#) February 13th, 12-1 PM EST

Upcoming Onsite Courses In New York:

Save the Date: [Cybersecurity Framework Overview and Panel Discussions:](#) (Registration to open soon!)
Private Sponsorship: New York University, The Sloan Foundation, NextNine, CISCO, Dell, and Rockwell.

Agenda for Monday March 10th 9:00 AM -12:00 PM EST: NYU-Polytechnic, Brooklyn, NY - a "Sloan Foundation Lecture Series" event.

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM EST: Citi Auditorium, 388 Greenwich Street, New York, NY

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM EST: NYU Law School, Washington Square, New York, NY

Agenda for Tuesday, March 11th

1:30 PM - 4:30 PM EST: Fordham University, 113 West 60th St., 12th floor Lounge

5:30 PM - 8:30 PM EST: Columbia University, Presidential Suite in the Faculty House

[Information Security Essentials for IT Auditors](#) April 21-24

Upcoming Conferences:

[RSA Conference](#) ISACA® members receive a \$150.00 discount!!!

[North America CACS](#) April 28-30

If you would like to host a class or have a suggestion for training, please email education@isacany.org.

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

MEMBERSHIP

[Marguerite McCarthy](#)



Save the Date! Wednesday March 19, 2014

Recognition Event for 2013 Certification Recipients and Past Presidents

This year's Recognition Event will be held on Wednesday March 19, from 6pm to 8pm, at the Union League Club, 38 East 37th Street, New York City. Invitations with registration details will be emailed by the end of this week.

Upcoming Membership Events

- March 19 - Recognition Event - 2013 Certification Recipients & Past Presidents
- Late March - Young Professionals Networking Event
- TBA Spring - Certification Awareness Event
- Mid-April - Young Professionals Training Event
- TBA April - Joint Conference with ISC2 NY Metro Chapter on "Security"
- TBA April - Q3 Membership Meeting
- TBA May - Membership Meeting on Long Island
- TBA May - Membership Meeting in Westchester
- June 2 - Joint conference with IIA New York Chapter on "Fraud"
- June 26 - Annual Gala and Wasserman Award Dinner

2014 Membership Committee Update- Teena Bacchus, Rose Isaraphanich, Yuliya Krol, and Nathan Yim - all long-time volunteers at Chapter events - are now on the Chapter's Membership Committee. They have fresh and interesting ideas for future Membership events - more info will be forthcoming.



Teena Bacchus



Rose Isaraphanich



Yuliya Krol



Nathan Yim

Value of Your ISACA Membership - Tip of the Month ISACA® has issued the [Generating Value From Big Data Analytics](#) white paper, presenting how organizations are using big data to be more competitive and are leveraging new sources of data. Access to research papers is one of the many benefits of your ISACA® membership. Information on current research projects is posted on the [Current Projects](#) page of the ISACA® web site.

Membership and Certification Renewal and Status

Use the www.isaca.org website to renew and view your Membership and Certifications status. After login, click the **My ISACA** tab and scroll down to view your Membership and Certification statuses. Additional details on

your Membership and Certifications are available in the **myMembership** and **myCertifications** tabs. If you have forgotten your login user name and/or password, click on the 'Forgot Password and/or User Name?' link.

Maintain your ISACA Profile and Contact Information

Keep your contact information updated to receive timely email communications from ISACA® and the New York Metropolitan Chapter. To edit your ISACA® profile: Login at www.isaca.org. Click the **My ISACA** tab, click **myProfile**, and then click on the "Account - Certification CPE - Demographic Info" tab. Click the Edit button at the bottom of the display to make changes. If you need assistance updating your profile, email the Chapter Membership Committee at membership@isacany.org.

New Member Update- The New York Metropolitan Chapter now has over 3,160 members - an increase of 60 members since last month's *Newsletter!* Chapter members who joined between December 1 and January 31 are now listed on our [New Members](#) webpage.

Members @ A Glance Visit the New York Metropolitan Chapter's [Members @ A Glance](#) webpage for a quick reference guide to Who We Are and the benefits the New York Metropolitan Chapter offers.

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

CERTIFICATION

Kwongmei To (May)



We are proud of our certification classes' results: Results for December 14 exam are out and we continue to receive thank you notes from the attendees. In the past, our goal was to increase the pass rate. Now, our goal is to have candidates in the merit list category. Many of our attendees are in the top 10 percent score globally. **ISACA International just informed one of the CGEIT exam prep class attendee, Michael Strong, that he received the second highest CGEIT score in North America.**

And we are doing it again in Spring 2014: New York Metropolitan chapter has been consistently providing all 4 certification exam review classes. And we are going to do it again in Spring, 2014. Exam review classes for CISA, CISM, CRISC, IT Boot Camp, and CGEIT have been scheduled and are posted on our chapter's webpage so that candidates can take advantage of the early bird registration discounts.

Exam Registration Early Bird Discount Ends on February 12: If you plan to sit for the June 14 exam, you should register before February 12. Exam fee will go up after that date.

ISACA Certification exam registration is open now: ISACA has opened exam registrations already. If you register online (instead of mail or fax), you save \$75 over regular price. If you register before February 12, you save another \$50. And if you are ISACA member, you save another \$180. So the advice is to *become a member, register online, and register before February 12*. Thus you save \$305. Online early bird member registration is \$420 and regular non-member registration is \$725. You do the math!!!

Spring Certification Exam Review Classes Schedule: Here is the preview of spring, 2014 classes:

CISA: 7 evening classes in Manhattan from 6:30 PM to 9:45 PM on May 8,13,15,20,22,27,29

Register for CISA exam review only: <http://www.cvent.com/d/v4qpw8/1Q>

Register for CISA package exam review: <http://www.cvent.com/d/34qpw8/1Q>

CISM: 6 morning web-based classes from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM on May 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28

Register for CISM exam review: <http://www.cvent.com/d/t4qpw8/1Q>

CGEIT: 6 morning web-based classes from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM on May 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

Register for CGEIT exam review: <http://www.cvent.com/d/k4qpwk/1Q>

CRISC: 3 all day classes from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on May 5, 6, 7

Register for CRISC exam review: <http://www.cvent.com/d/24qpw8/1Q>

IT Boot Camp for CISA/ CISM/CRISC: One day class from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on May 16

Register for IT boot camp: <http://www.cvent.com/d/14qpwk/1Q>

Please note that all classes will be webcast as well.

Gain a new ISACA certification this year!!!

NOMINATIONS

[Kevin Fuller](#)



CALL TO ACTION

***** LESS THAN 2 WEEKS LEFT TO JOIN A GREAT TEAM *****

**The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter
is soliciting nominees for the Chapter's Board of Directors**

Nominate Someone or Yourself!

Deadline: February 21, 2014

The leadership of the ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter is represented by a member-elected Board of Directors and volunteer committees for the purposes of providing to its membership valuable services and information related to the fields of IT Auditing, Information Security, IT Governance and Computer Information Systems.

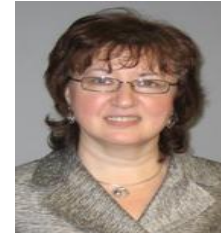
The Nominations Committee is inviting all members interested in making a difference and participating on the Chapter's Board of Directors, to complete the Nomination Form, Willingness to Serve Statement and Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Statement (see [by-laws](#)) and return by February 21, 2014. The Nominations Committee will review all qualified nominees, and then present a slate of candidates for the upcoming Chapter election.

For copies of the necessary documents or if you have any questions, feel free to contact: Kevin Fuller, Nominations Committee Chair, ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter, at nominations@isacany.org.

The ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that ISACA®'s mission and commitment to information governance, control, security and audit professionals is maintained. Members of the Board help provide the Chapter Membership with a program of education, certification review programs, and membership meetings. In turn, being on the Board provides peer recognition, networking opportunities, and a chance to have an impact in one of the largest ISACA® Chapters in the world. In 2014, elections will be held for the one year term Chapter Director positions. For details about these positions, please see the [by-laws](#) on the Chapter web site.

ACADEMIC RELATIONS

[Anthony D'Amato](#)
[Raisa Serebrenik](#)



On January 28, 2014, the Academic Relations Committee met with graduate level accounting major students at Manhattan College. The invitation came from Aileen Lowry-Farrelly, the Assistant to Dean, who is also an Assistant Professor at School of Business . Aileen is the Academic Advocate and liaison between Manhattan College and our NY Chapter.

Aileen is teaching IT classes and was very impressed by the large number of research papers that ISACA® publishes every year on its website. Motivated by that, she created a project for her students where they have to research a specific topic of their choice, and write a paper for her IT Audit class. She also urged her students to become ISACA® members. Aileen feels that ISACA® offers a great networking opportunity to students to interact with Information Systems professionals, use ISACA® research materials to supplement classroom materials, and to link classroom material with the practical experiences of the presenters.

Raisa Serebrenik, Academic Relations Board Member was given an opportunity to present to a group of 28 accounting major students. During the first part of her presentation, Raisa provided an overview of ISACA®, including the explanation of the four certifications that ISACA® offers, and the benefits of becoming an ISACA® member. The second part of her presentation was focused on broadening students' knowledge about Information Systems Security and examples of regulations that drive the IT Audit industry. She concluded her presentation talking about Cybersecurity and its Awareness.

The overall goal of the ISACA® presentation was to bridge Accounting Systems with Information Security, and to demonstrate to students the importance of Information Systems controls. At the end of the presentation, Raisa answered questions from the students.

On behalf of The New York Metropolitan ISACA® Chapter, we would like to thank the faculty at Manhattan College, and especially Professor Aileen Lowry-Farrelly from the School of Business for providing us with the opportunity to present.

If you are interested in sharing your knowledge and expertise of Information Security and/or IT Audit and Compliance at future college events, please contact either: Anthony D'Amato at: anthony.damato@isacany.org or Raisa Serebrenik at: raisa.serebrenik@isacany.org.

TECH CORNER

ISACA New York Metropolitan Technology Committee



Do you have what it takes to work for the NSA? In December 2013, Der Spiegel published an article, co-written by Jacob Appelbaum, Judith Horchert and Christian Stöcker, called "Shopping for Spy Gear: Catalog Advertises NSA Toolbox." In the article, it provided details of an internal NSA catalog provided by an NSA division named ANT. See if you can correctly match the following NSA ANT Catalog items with their descriptions as mentioned in Der Spiegel article.

CATALOG ITEMS:

- 1) ANGRYMONKEY
- 2) BULLDOZER
- 3) COTTONMOUTH
- 4) FIREWALK
- 5) GINSU

DESCRIPTIONS:

A) Technology that creates a hidden wireless bridge allowing NSA personnel to remotely control a system wirelessly

B) A family of modified USB and Ethernet connectors that can be used to install Trojan horse software and work as wireless bridges, providing covert remote access to the target machine.

C) A device that looks identical to a standard RJ45 socket that allows data to be injected, or monitored and transmitted via radio technology.

D) Technology that uses a PCI bus device in a computer, and can reinstall itself upon system boot-up

E) Technology that can infiltrate the firmware of hard drives manufactured by Maxtor, Samsung, Seagate, and Western Digital

Answers: 1-E, 2-A, 3-B, 4-C, 5-D.

Please check out the Wikipedia link for more

information: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NSA_ANT_catalog

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HOT TOPICS

ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter LinkedIn Group Discussions:

LinkedIn

Take a moment to read the interesting articles posted in our LinkedIn group. Below are the latest topics:

[ISACA® press release announcing the Big Data White Paper availability!](#)

[Robert Stroud](#)

[It May Be Riskier to Ignore Big Data Than Implement It, Says New ISACA White Paper](#)

Free guide outlines three challenges preventing organizations from realizing big data gains Rolling Meadows, IL, USA (21 January 2014) Enterprises that choose to avoid using big data analytic techniques because of the possible dangers, such as...

[Stu Henderson](#)

Founder and President at the Henderson Group - Info Sec and IS Audit

If you need to audit IBM mainframes, this [free white paper](#) will get you started...

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



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IT audit, security, risk and related positions in the New York Metropolitan area.

Employers: List open positions in IT audit, security, management, or operations on our site for FREE! Openings are posted for 30 days unless otherwise directed. Email position description and contact information to jobs@isacany.org.

Note: job openings can only be seen by registered users logged into our site.

ISACA® New York Metropolitan Chapter

CELEBRATES OUR MEMBER'S ANNIVERSARIES



15 Years

FIRST NAME	MI	LAST/FAMILY NAME	JOIN DATE
Pijush		Ghosh	01 Feb 1999

10 Years

FIRST NAME	MI	LAST/FAMILY NAME	JOIN DATE
Sergio	Henrique	Crivorot	01 Feb 2004
Naveen		Fernandes	02 Feb 2004
Sean	Micheal	Gleason	02 Feb 2004
Julianne		Wu	02 Feb 2004

Jason		Zhang	03 Feb 2004
Ketan	Jitendra	Zaveri	04 Feb 2004
Terri		Ruane	04 Feb 2004
Gaurav		Kumar	04 Feb 2004
Michael	Anthony	Gandara	05 Feb 2004
Ryan	Youngwon	Shin	06 Feb 2004
Clive	Warren	Axelrod	06 Feb 2004
Carl	M.	Pearce	06 Feb 2004
Marc		Weinberg	10 Feb 2004
John	H.	Li	10 Feb 2004
Natalya		Kundina	11 Feb 2004
Philip	John	Venables	12 Feb 2004
Robert	G.	Hansen	13 Feb 2004
Sunita	Mirpuri	Kumar	17 Feb 2004
Russell	Dean	Vines	20 Feb 2004
Ira	M.	Newman	23 Feb 2004
Al		Berg	23 Feb 2004
Jasper		Niblock	24 Feb 2004
Toba	T.	Seide	25 Feb 2004
Lisa	L.	Mui	29 Feb 2004

5 Years

FIRST NAME	MI	LAST/FAMILY NAME	JOIN DATE
Josue	G.	Castro Sanchez	02 Feb 2009
Benjamin	KS	Khoo	03 Feb 2009
Eposi		Ndobedi	05 Feb 2009
Anthony	P.	Scarlattelli	05 Feb 2009
Peter		Versoza	07 Feb 2009
Raj		Narayan	08 Feb 2009
Zoran		Abraham	08 Feb 2009
Sam	Adam	Elnagdy	08 Feb 2009
Gary		Nicholas	09 Feb 2009
Samer		Yassmin	10 Feb 2009
Peter		Taylor	10 Feb 2009
Jason	Brian	Bomberger	10 Feb 2009
Barbra		Sullivan	10 Feb 2009
Lorenzo		Falciani	12 Feb 2009
Ramiro		Rocca	13 Feb 2009
Tina	Alias	Thukalil	18 Feb 2009
Bertram	Adjetey	Sowah	19 Feb 2009
Jason		Ellsworth	23 Feb 2009
Kenny		Li	25 Feb 2009

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