Customized Solutions for Today’s Leaders
An exclusive membership-based program developed to support chief audit executives (CAEs) in answering the demands of their evolving roles, the Audit Executive Center® (Center) empowers its members to perform through delivering unparalleled access to:

- **A robust members-only website**, featuring a growing Knowledge Center of over 600 pieces of thought leadership and more than 300 tools, templates, and planning resources.

- **Exclusive peer-to-peer knowledge sharing** with CPE opportunities including forums, networking events, and exclusive Center webinars.

- **E-bulletins and news publications** geared specifically for CAEs.

- **Consolidated, credible, and comprehensive** thought leadership, information, and research.

- **A convenient, economical, and flexible way** of connecting with current events, emerging trends, and best practices.

- **The support** you need to strategically develop your team’s skill sets and operate as a value-added organizational resource.

In a time when regulatory changes are only outpaced by advances in technology, the old adage that knowledge is power could not hold more truth. Keeping on top of every attention-worthy development in the internal audit profession that impacts critical and emerging risks facing your organization is a full-time job. However, stakeholders don’t merely expect it, they demand it.
The Center is designed to help you meet today’s challenges. Whether you are tackling communication with the board, developing programs to audit culture, defining the responsibility roles within your organization for the Three Lines of Defense Model, or strategizing ways to bridge skill gaps among your audit team members, the Center provides the essential resources for CAEs to be more successful and relevant in today’s ever-changing business environment.
Thought Leadership

The Center constantly refreshes and expands the thought leadership it offers its members — information that helps you tackle what is in front of you and prepare for what is around the corner. Just a few of the topics the Center's repository of thought leadership addresses include:

- Audit Committee Communications
- Compliance
- Culture
- Emerging Risks – Cybersecurity, Geopolitical Issues, Sustainability
- Fraud
- Governance
- Information Technology
- Internal Controls
- Regulatory Matters
- Risk Management
- Talent Management
- Third-party Engagement

Exclusive Resources

Audit Executive Center resources are a comprehensive grouping of thought leadership, guidance, tools, templates, and knowledge sharing for CAEs, senior management, and staff that include:

- Exclusive peer-to-peer knowledge sharing with CPE opportunities
- CAE Bulletin
- Benchmarking Reports
- Center’s annual Pulse of Internal Audit reports
- Supplemental Pulse Solutions reports
Networking and Events

The Center facilitates forums with other CAE members on topics that interest you. These events offer timely insights and practical takeaways — from large and mid/small-cap perspectives — to help you drive your own boardroom discussions and shape your governance agenda, all while providing CPE opportunities.

Make Connections at The IIA’s CAE-focused Conference:
Center members find value in The IIA’s General Audit Management Conference™ (GAM™), where over 1,000 CAEs and audit leaders come together to share best practices, learn from leading experts, and stay up-to-date on changes in the profession. Enjoy Center-exclusive offerings at GAM, including the AEC Pre-conference Forum, Networking Events, release of the Pulse of Internal Audit Report, and the Center Hospitality Lounge.

Center Remote/Online Networking Opportunities Include:
- Audit Executive Center Website
- CAE-focused Webinars
- Virtual Roundtables

** Offer cannot be combined with any other discount.
“For me, it’s obviously the networking … to have that membership, and be able to reach out to peers. My team uses the AEC a lot for emerging issues and trends.”

Michael Rimkus, Vice President, Risk Management, T-Mobile USA

“Membership in the AEC has allowed me to network with amazing professionals in our field. The Peer Request surveys, the Virtual Roundtables and access to various resources have been quite valuable. I also appreciate the very attentive and helpful staff.”

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Find Out How Fellow CAEs Have Faced Industry Challenges via Peer Requests

Peer Requests are short, customized surveys initiated by CAEs. Audit Executive Center members are able to connect with their peers to network and gain feedback from internal audit practitioners who have successfully conquered many of the challenges organizations face on a regular basis.

Knowledge Delivered Annually via the Pulse of Internal Audit Report

Since 2009, The IIA’s Audit Executive Center has conducted annual Pulse of Internal Audit studies to assess the state of the internal audit profession and identify trends and emerging issues in the profession and with its stakeholders. The IIA has published analyses of the survey results for North America since the first survey was issued. Members of the Audit Executive Center are invited to a presentation by The IIA’s president and CEO at GAM each year, providing an exclusive first look at the release of the year’s new report.

Past Pulse Report and Peer Request Key Findings:

• 54% of CAEs say their company has a standardized process to ensure consistent evaluation of the evidence from all fraud investigations in determining wrongdoing. 45% report they do not have such a process, according to an AEC Peer Request survey.

• 70% of 2019 Pulse of Internal Audit respondents identify risk of reputational damage caused by a privacy data breach as an area of high or very high concern.

• 84% of CAEs responding to an AEC Peer Request survey say their audit committee receives reports on cybersecurity and/or risk and threat management activities. 16% report their audit committee does not receive these reports.

“I really like these peer surveys. They give me an idea of how AMC is doing compared to my peers.”

Kathy Weekley, Vice President and CAE, AMC Theatres
Audit Intelligence Suite

Do you want to know how your internal audit department measures up?
When a team of internal audit business intelligence experts set out to create the Audit Intelligence Suite, powered by the AEC, they wanted to provide a premium solution that is:

- Smart – provides valuable information.
- Sensible – ensures information is actionable.
- Simple – packages the suite of products in one place.

Benchmark your audit function, assess your team, and survey your key stakeholders. Once you know the results, you will be in a better position to improve your audit function.

Benchmarking Report

One of the easiest, most efficient, and cost-effective ways to benchmark your audit department. Compare by audit staff size, revenue range, industry, or other filter criteria YOU choose. Get the data you need to support more effective decision making. Benchmark metrics include:

- Organizational statistics.
- Department staffing and costs.
- Oversight, including audit committee information.
- Operational measures, including audit lifecycles.
- Performance measures.
- Risk assessment and audit planning information.

Skills Assessment

The best way to arrive at success is to assess. This comprehensive, competencies-based tool can evaluate professional strengths and development needs of individuals or entire teams. The results allow you to easily see where knowledge gaps exist in your internal audit department team, or by each individual staff member.

- Assess strengths and opportunities.
- Evaluate individuals and teams.
- Close knowledge gaps.

Stakeholder Survey

If you don’t ask, you won’t know the answers. A vital role of a CAE is to manage expectations — those of their stakeholder groups, as well as their internal audit teams. To identify opportunities for improvement, internal audit leaders must stay abreast of changing perceptions and expectations.

- Survey stakeholders.
- Address perceptions and expectations.
- Identify improvement opportunities.
Chief Priorities

The IIA’s Audit Executive Center (AEC) is an exclusive member-based resource for CAEs, enabling them to be more successful and relevant in all they do. For nearly 10 years, the AEC has assisted CAEs in responding to the unique challenges, emerging risks, and increasing demands of the internal audit profession.

Mission

The mission of the AEC is to remain the essential resource for CAEs by providing exclusive leadership development, training, networking opportunities, solutions-based content, and benchmarking tools, enabling CAEs to be more successful, empowered, connected, and relevant in all they do.

Activities in support of this mission include, but are not limited to:

• Timely, insightful, solution-based thought leadership.
• Audit Intelligence Suite with benchmarking reports to gauge your audit function performance, skills assessments to evaluate team members’ proficiency, and surveys to gain stakeholder feedback.
• Networking opportunities.
• Beneficial, cost-effective training for CAEs.
• Information of interest through ongoing communication.

Join the Center

With more than 500 members, the Center is a comprehensive program for CAEs from a variety of industries and organizations of all sizes across the globe. Three levels of membership are offered, containing a variety of benefits allowing you to choose the program best suited for you and your internal audit function.

“My Audit Executive Center membership is providing me and my team access to exclusive tools, templates, and documents when working on specific audits, looking for ideas on how to evolve and improve our audit group, and just keeping up with changes in the internal audit landscape.”

Kathryn Birn, Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc.

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