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Internal Audit's Role – Navigating Risk During Times of Global Volatility





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Internal Audit's Role - Navigating Risk During Times of Global Volatility

Outline

- Transformation and changing role of internal audit
- Organizations face complex risks
- We have opportunity to add value
- How do we get there
- A mission for internal audit
- Audit never sleeps



Transformation and Changing Role of Internal Audit

"Internal auditors are reaching beyond their traditional capabilities to partner with business and improve company operations"

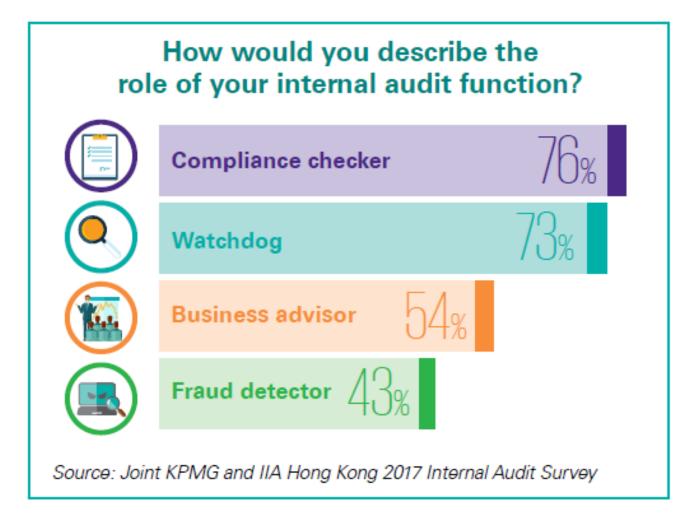
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Transformation and Changing Role of Internal Audit





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Core competencies IX Internal Audit Delivery:

Provides assurance and advisory services to senior management and the board

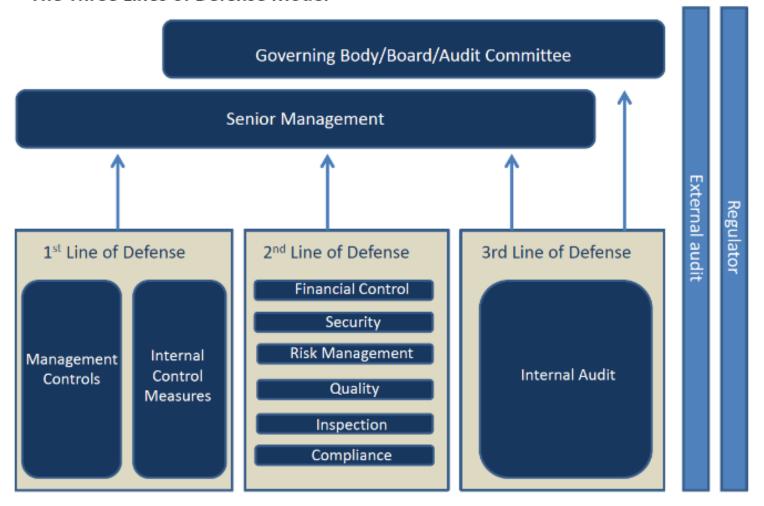
Benefits for becoming a trusted business advisor

- Provide the organisation an independent view of underlying risks to make better strategic decisions
- Internal audit function is more involved with business operations and enhances trust levels with senior executives and leaders from other business units
- Greater emphasis on managing risks rather than assuring compliance with company policies



The 3 Lines of Defense Model

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Organizations Face Complex Risks

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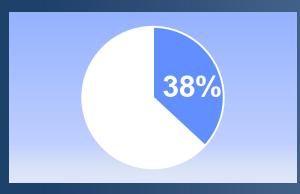


- Geopolitical risk (e.g. Trade War)
- Cyber risk
- Increased and evolving regulation
- Reputational harm
- Technology advancements and disruptive innovation
- Global economic volatility



Cyber breaches and privacy/information security continues to plague organizations





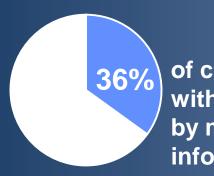
year-over-year increase in detected information security incidents

"Many executives are declaring cyber as the risk that will define our generation."

— Dennis Chelsey,

Leader, PwC

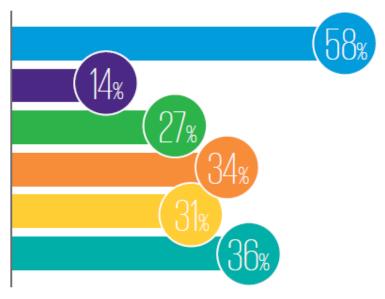
Global Risk Consulting



of corporate directors are not satisfied with the quality of information provided by management on cybersecurity and information technology risks

Sources: Turnaround and transformation in cybersecurity: Key findings from The Global State of Information Security Survey 2016. Survey of executives and IT professionals. 2015 NACD Public Company Governance Survey.

What kind of review (s) has/have been added to your internal audit plans in response to digitalisation and the rise of digital threats?



Source: Joint KPMG and IIA Hong Kong 2017 Internal Audit Survey

- Information Governance and Data Privacy Information accountability review
- Information Governance and Data Privacy Employee behaviours test
- Information Governance and Data Privacy Data destruction audit
- Mobile Technologies and Applications –
 Data encryption assessment
- Mobile Technologies and Applications –
 Mobile device management audit
- Mobile Technologies and Applications –
 Application development security risk assessment

Regulation's impact is growing



Regulation affects costs, growth, and innovation...and regulation remains complex.



said regulation's impact on organization is more significant compared to five years ago



80% significant impact on business costs



significant impact growth opportunities



(2) 63% significant impact on innovation opportunities



said the regulation impacting their organization is complex

Source: Regulation and Growth: IFAC Global Regulatory Survey, International Federation of Accountants, September 2015.

Reputation events can have outsized impact



87%



of executives rate reputation risk as more important than other strategic risks Companies that experienced a negative reputation event were impacted in these areas:



41% Revenue/Earnings



41% Loss of brand value



37% Regulatory investigation

Rapid speed of disruptive innovation and new technologies



- Disruptive innovation
- Technological advancements and new technologies
- Artificial intelligence and virtual reality



Global economic volatility causes risks to emerge at a faster pace



Economic conditions

 Volatility in global financial markets and

currencies





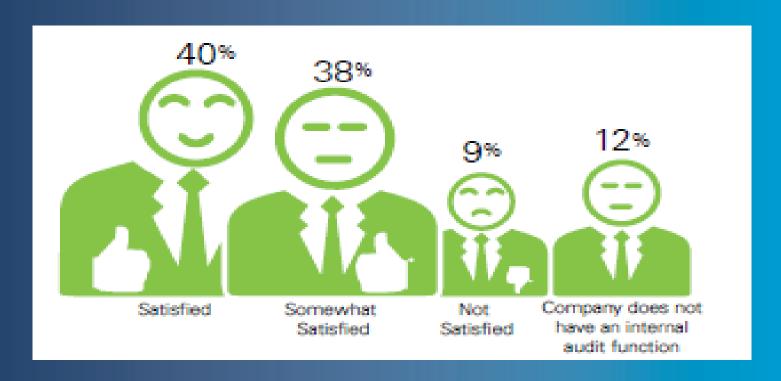


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How satisfied are you in the value internal audit provides?



We have opportunity to add value





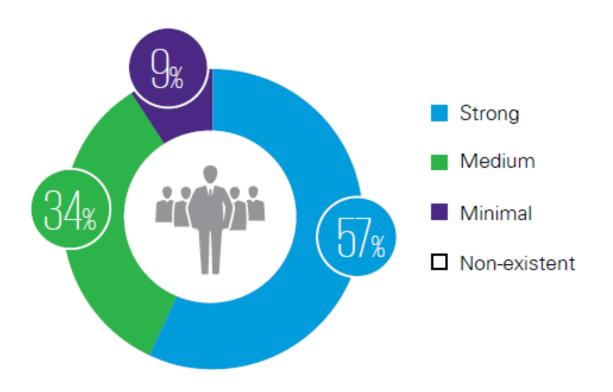
The value of internal audit



Our work offers round-the-clock assurance that our organizations are well-positioned to meet the challenges of a dynamic and complex business environment.



The level of senior management support for internal audit functions to perform their duties effectively



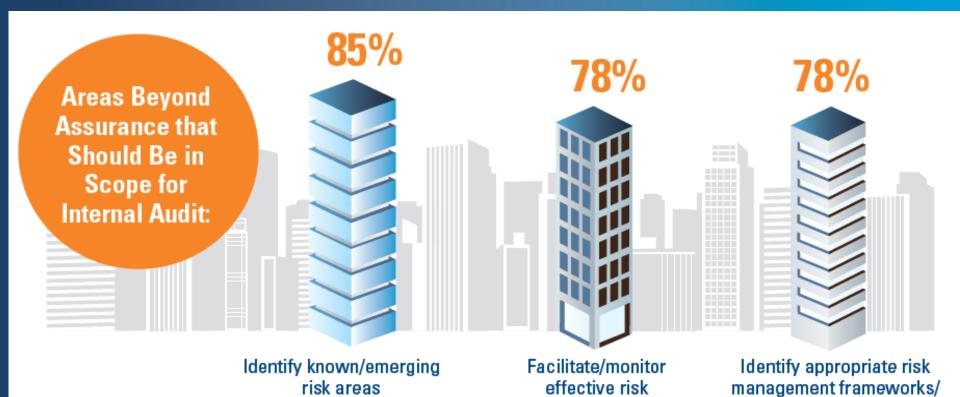
Source: Joint KPMG and IIA Hong Kong 2017 Internal Audit Survey



Should internal audit go beyond the basics?



practices/processes



management practices

Help meet the challenge



- Know the risks. Audit the risks.
 - -Audit beyond traditional areas
 - -Align with organizational goals



Our stakeholders rely on us





- They demand:
 - -No surprises
 - Assurance and advisory services
 - -Value





How do we get there?

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Fault-finder



Trusted adviser





Communicate well

A trusted adviser communicates well



- Invest in relationships
- Listen actively
- Respect diverse perspectives
- Use formal and informal channels

98% of CAEs say communication skills are essential.





Become an integrated auditor

A trusted adviser is an "integrated auditor"



- A diverse set of competencies and soft skills
 - Invest in new competencies
 - Focus on problemsolving
 - Be able to compromise



Soft skills among internal auditors are lacking



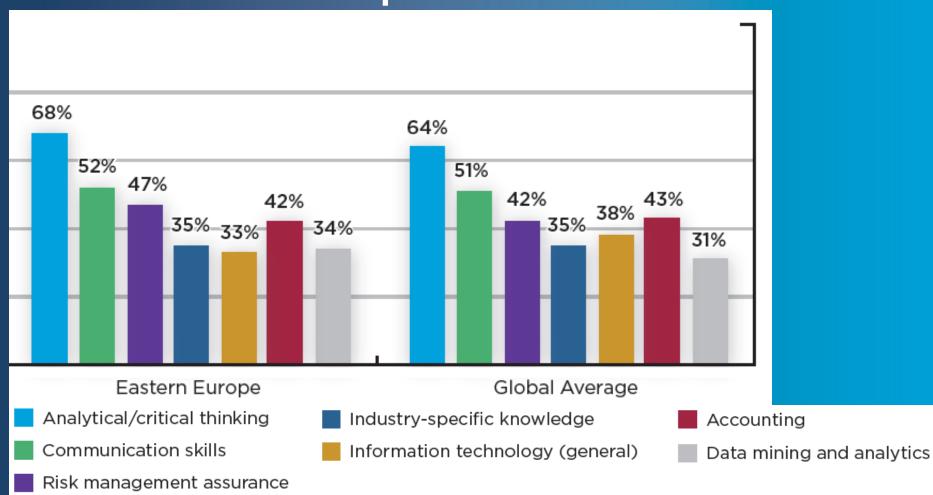
fightly, or only moderately proficient in accounting for the organization's politics.

rated their average audit team member as not at all, slightly, or moderately proficient in balancing diplomacy with assertiveness.

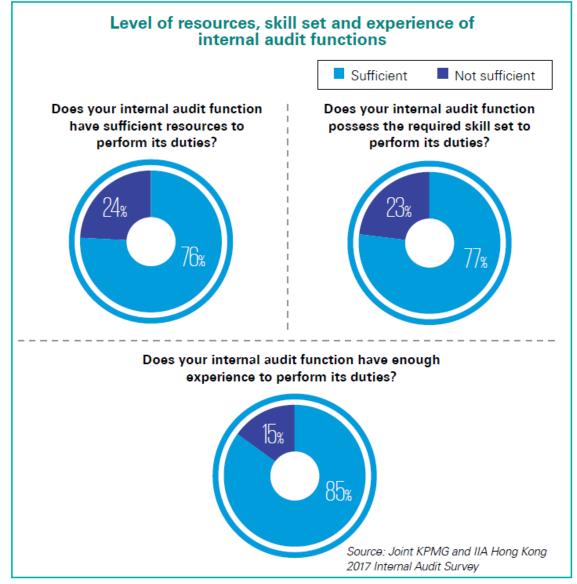
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Skills being recruited for internal audit departments





Note: Q30: What skills are you recruiting or building the most in your internal audit department? (Choose up to five.) CAEs only. n = 927 for Europe. n = 3,288 for global average.









Do the right thing

A trusted adviser is transparent



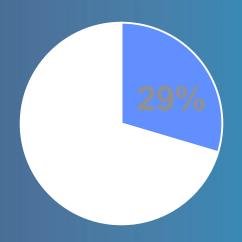
- The audit process:
 - Approved by management, board, audit committee
 - Clearly defined judgement and assessment
 - Clear and precise
 - Well-documented with traceable evidence
 - Tells the truth



A trusted adviser acts with integrity



- Ethical
- Honest
- Diligent
- Responsible
- Respectful
- Trustworthy
- Objective
- Role model



of CAEs in Europe say they have been asked to modify or suppress legitimate audit findings at least once during their careers





Be strategic and future-focused

A trusted adviser thinks strategically





43%

say audit plan is not well-aligned with organization's strategy

- Understand key business risks
- Align audit plan with organization's strategic path
- Be proactive to advise stakeholders
- Collaborate inside, outside organization
- Benchmark to peers

A trusted adviser is future-focused

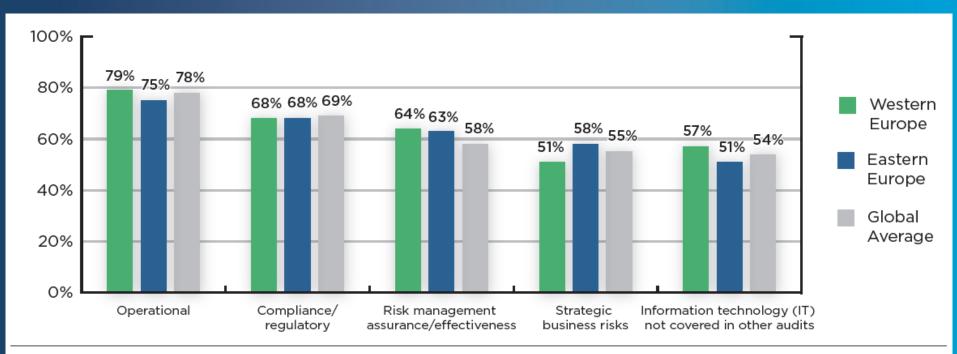




- Keep informed
- Anticipate future needs
- Adapt your audit team's skillset

Anticipate future needs

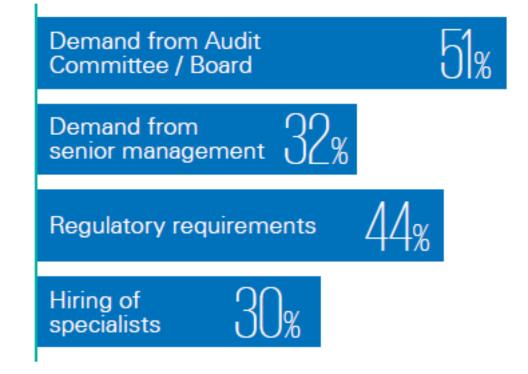




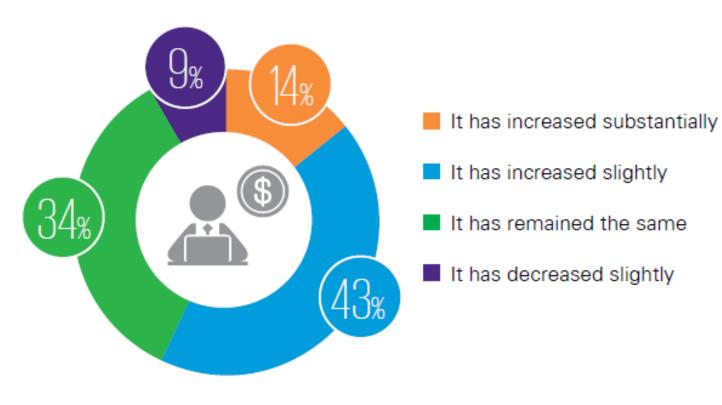
Note: Q66: Please identify the top five risks on which your internal audit department is focusing the greatest level of attention in 2015. CAEs only. n = 798 for Europe. n = 2,742 for global average.

Drivers for increasing internal audit investment



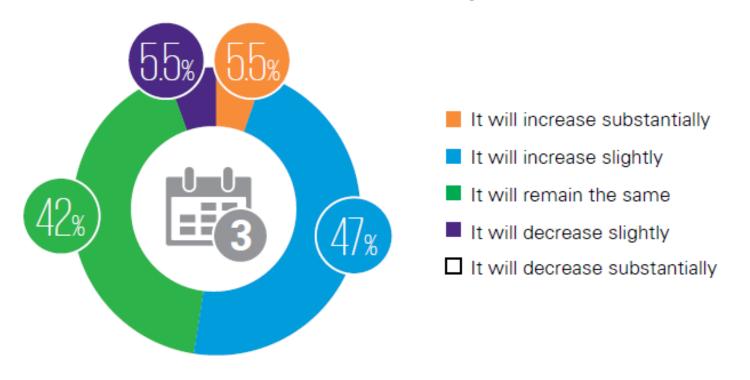


An organisation's change in internal audit investment (as a percentage of total operating expenses) over the past three years





An organisation's anticipated level of internal audit investment (as a percentage of total operating expenses) over the next three years







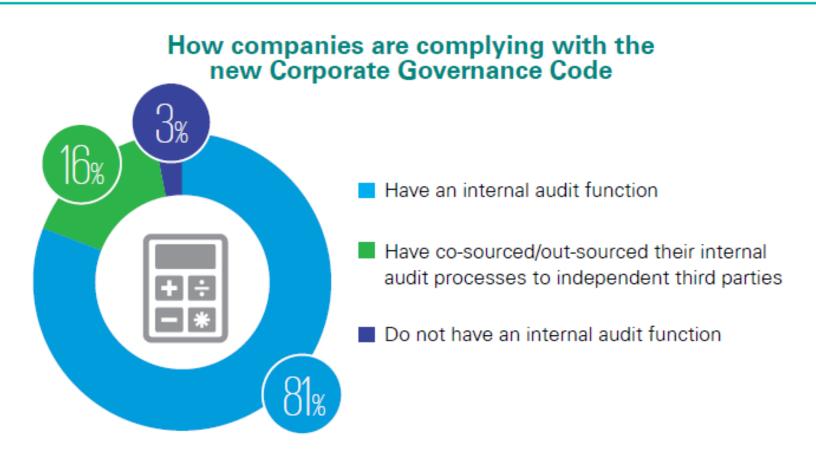
A mission for internal audit

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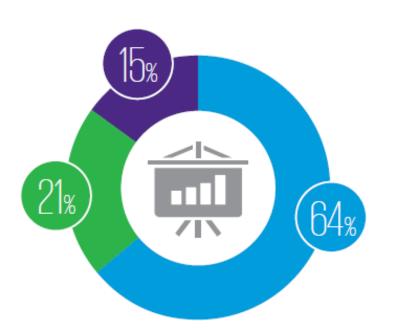
"To enhance and protect organizational value by providing risk-based and objective assurance, advice and insight."







An organisation's level of conformity with the IIA Standards



- Generally conformed Internal audit policies and processes are mostly in-line with the IIA Standards with room for some improvement
- Partially conformed Several internal audit processes deviate from IIA Standards, but do not obstruct the function's ability to perform its responsibilities in an acceptable manner
- Did not adopt the IIA Standards

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Q & A

Thank You!!

