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Welcome Cyber Security Focus on IT audit

01st March 2024



Objective of this Webinar

- To help people to develop knowledge related to Cyber Security, IT audit, compliance and risk management
- To highlight
 - the job opportunities for fresher in the field of IT audit
 - the skill development opportunities for the Cyber security and IT audit professionals enabling them for career advancement



Who will be benefitted by this webinar



IT auditors, Team Leads and audit managers



Cyber Security professionals



Risk, Compliance & IT Service Continuity (BCP/DR) professionals



Access managers, developers, and other IT operations team



Any IT / non IT graduates & Engineers looking for a lucrative career path



Charted Accountants (CA) willing to explore IT audit



Privacy consultants



About the Presenter

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Over 30 years of experience in IT audit, assurance, information technology and banking domains.

Having extensive experience in information system audits, risk assessments, privacy assessments, software development and IT project management

Linked In

Conducted several in house training sessions on IT audit and related functions

Conducted several interviews for hiring



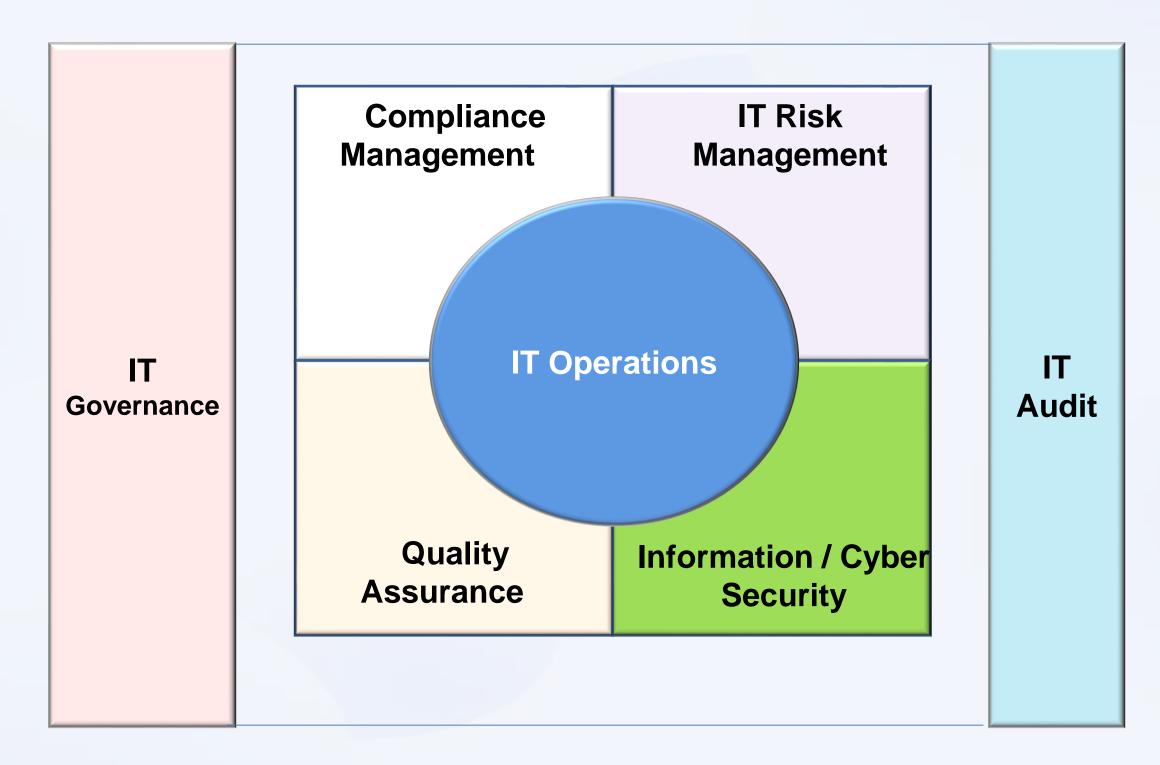
Agenda



- 2 Demand for IT auditors and opportunities
- 3 Challenges
- 4 How can we help you?



Organisation responsibilities over Information Technology





Statutory / Regulatory bodies Compliance requirements (SOX/HIPAA/PCI-DSS, GDPR)

Governance Organisation Policies & Standards

Clients / Suppliers / Service providers Security requirements (ISO 27001)

Risk Manager



Risk Management Mitigation controls

Business Data Security and application controls

Operation Team
Implements all the
control requirements
from various sources
and execute the
controls





Information / Cyber
Security
Consolidate and
prepare a
comprehensive control
framework.
Oversee
implementation and
monitor control
execution

Information Security Manager

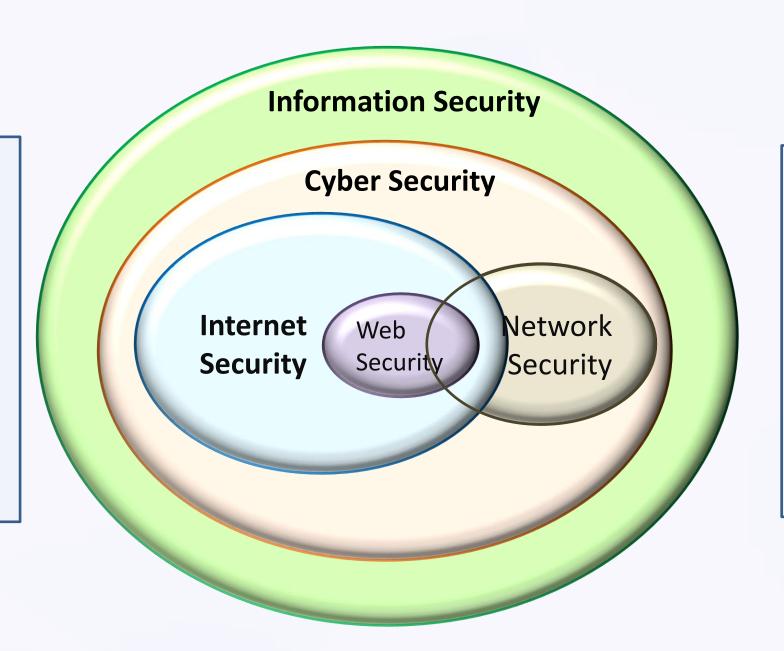


IT auditor
Test the
design and
operating
effectiveness
of the
controls



Sources of Controls

- ISO / IEC 27001:2022
- ITIL
- COBIT
- NIST
- Cloud Security Alliance
- CIS (Centre for Internet Security)
- PCI / DSS
- GDPR
- HIPAA



Sources of audit requirements

- Statutory audits
- SOX
- SOC1, 2, 3
- FISMA
- FedRAMP
- HIPAA
- PCI / DSS
- GDPR
- ISO/IEC 27001:2022

Information Security

Physical security, IT asset management, Human resource security, Data management, BCP and DR, Third
 Party Risk Management

Cyber Security

Security training, Security monitoring, Incidence response

Internet Security

- Firewall
- IDS & IPS
- Anti malware
- SSL & Transport layer Security

Web Security

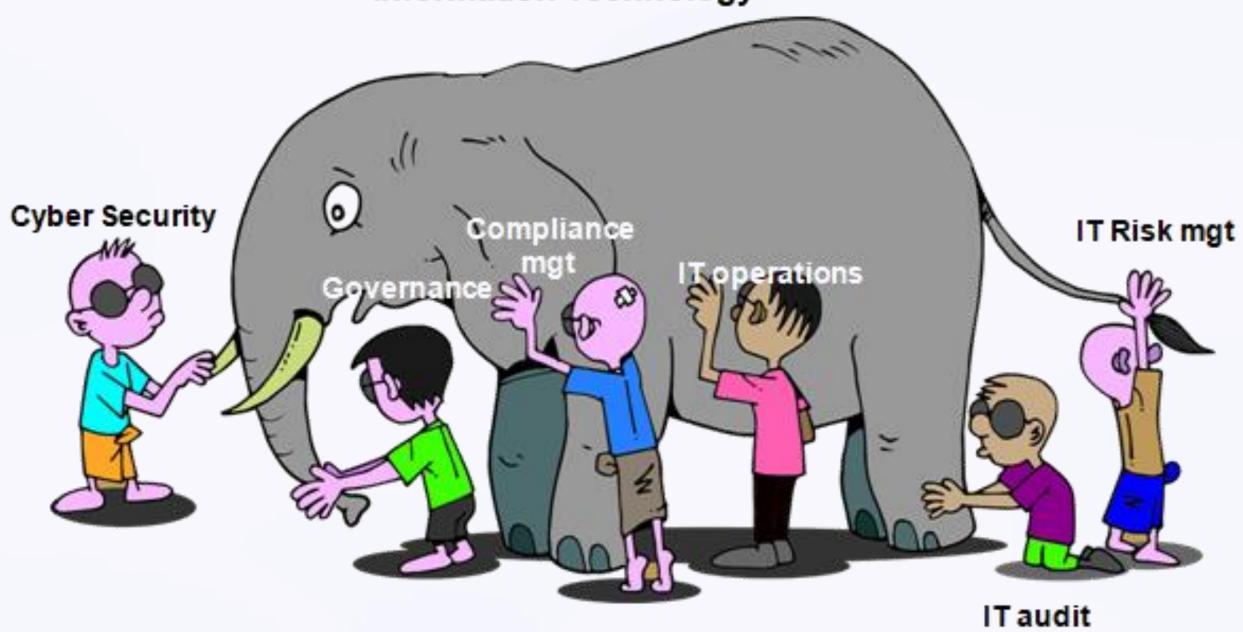
- Secure coding (Code review)
- Web application firewall
- Secure authentication
- Data Encryption
- Application Vulnerability assessment

Network Security

- VPN
- Network segmentation
- Access Controls List
- Network log monitoring
- Content filter









IT audit



Ever increasing demand for Information System auditors

- Increasing global presence of Corporate and MNCs
- Increase in outsourcing
 - ITO, BPO and Cloud services
 - Shared Service Centre
 - Back office operations
- Increase in cyber space risks due to AI, IOT etc
- Strict privacy and other compliance requirements



Consequences



- IT auditors
 - Demand > supply
 - High attrition
 - High salary
 - Switching every 18 30 months with 40% to 120% hike

Career options

- Statutory audits
- SOX audit
- SOC1, SOC2, SOC 3 audit
- Internal audit
- SOX management assessment
- Continuous control monitoring
- Compliance audits
 (Data Privacy, HIPAA, PCI/DSS...)
- Cyber Security audits
- ISO certification audits

Career progression options



IT Auditor



Consulting Services

Compliance Management

Risk Management

Business Continuity

Management

Data Privacy



Other relevant roles available for an IT auditor





Compliance management

- Compliance manager
- Compliance coordinator
- Audit coordinator

Risk Management

- IT risk consultant
- IT risk manager

Data Privacy

Data Privacy assessor

Business Continuity Manager

- BCM
- BCP / DR assessor

Consulting services

- IT Governance
- Consulting for implementation of controls in new applications / Infra set up
- ISO Certification support (ISMS)
- Cyber Security controls
- SOX controls
- Data Privacy / BCP DR reviews







Where are the opportunities?





- Big 4 and other global audit firms
- Registered audit firms operating within the country
- Product Companies
- Banking, Insurance and Finance Companies
- IT Service providers
- BPO Service providers
- Consulting firms
- Large Corporate Companies



Advantages of choosing IT audit career



Technologies keep changing. Specialists are heavily technology dependent

Audit concepts, processes and testing of controls remain almost the same. Audit is somewhat technology independent

- Audit is a high revenue business for the audit firms. So auditors get a handsome salary.
- During difficult times, organisations may defer the projects or downsize workforce. Many audits are mandated and cannot be dispensed with.
- After a few years of service, IT Auditors have the opportunity to move to a different related function without much difficulty













Already we are in IT audit field. We have challenges...



We are working with IT auditors. We have challenges...



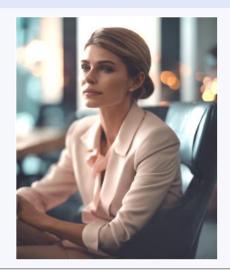
Challenges are everywhere....



We have a solution

Let us look at some of the challenges...

Fresher / New IT auditor

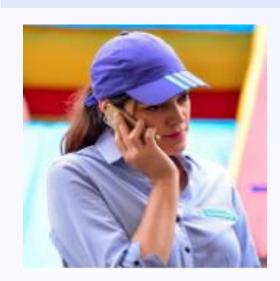


Lack of proper training.

Our LMS (Learning Management) has audit courses but they are only theory. No practical exposure.

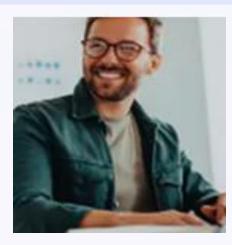
Team members help us but on piecemeal basis - not consistent and detailed

Internal auditor - IT



Very small team of IT auditors. No seniors to coach us or provide clarifications.

Experienced auditor looking for opportunities



Not getting promotion. Not able to clear interviews. How can I bridge the gaps?





I conducted several interviews for the post of IT auditors.

Not getting the right candidates.

Experienced in the audit but knowledge and skills are lacking.

Chartered Accountant



I conduct finance audits. I am very much interested in conducting IT audits as well. That will give me more career growth opportunities

Person with IT background



I have experience in infrastructure maintenance. I have IT knowledge. My colleagues in IT audit team are earning more. I too want to switch internally but I do not know what is IT audit.



Most common causes leading to poor performance

- Not understanding the ways of working
- Not understanding the IT processes
- Not understanding the intent of the controls
- Lack of proper prioritisation of activities
- Poor communication- Confusing evidence requests
- Multiple evidence requests for the same control
- Just accepting whatever the process owners say / provide as evidence without analysing the risks, completeness, effectiveness, accuracy etc.
- IT dependency (IPE) population correctness evidence not obtained
- Inappropriate test plans. Inadequate depth of testing
- Poor documentation documentation not detailed enough



Learning IT audit helps not only the auditors but also the persons supporting / dealing with auditors





IT Team members



Access Manager



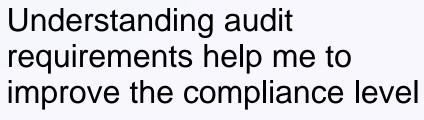
We are facing SOX audit for the first time. The auditors talk about controls and ask for evidences, I do not know what a control is and which evidences they require. They are not allowing me to do my regular job.

We migrated to new ERP in the mid of the year. Old systems are decommissioned, Now auditor asks screenshot from the old system.

We regularly conduct user access reviews. I was very much surprised when the auditor tested this and informed me that it is a deficient process. Auditor failed the control and we felt the wrath of the top management. Had I known the audit requirements early, I would have improved the process and passed the test.







It also helps me to effectively coordinate between the auditors and the IT teams. I can communicate well and decipher what the auditors want.



Risk manager

Understanding IT controls and evidence requirements gives me a better view on IT risks and helps me to suggest improved risk mitigation measures.

Information Security Manager

Understanding IT audit controls and evidences and the level of the audits help me to implement and monitor controls more effectively.













15 Days Master class on IT Audit



To: 21st March 2024 (Thursday)

(excluding Sundays)

Time: 7:30 p.m. To 8:30 p.m.

In the mission of helping Millions of People to excel in their career



You will learn on this 15 Days Workshop

- Fundamentals of compliance, risk management, cyber security and IT audit
- Advanced audit practices and insights



Seven modules

- Moving from basic level (module 1) to advanced level (module 6)
- Module 7 provides valuable insights, with real case examples of challenging situations and how to analyse and come to the correct conclusion
- Detailed guideline materials and templates
- Quality related tips
- Training on right prioritisation

Fifteen hours of online sessions

- Thirteen (13) hours of training sessions one hour a day
- Two (2) doubt clearing sessions on Saturdays

1 IT audit overview

2 IT audit process

IT environment

4 IT risks and controls

Performing IT audit

Testing key controls

7 IT audit Insights

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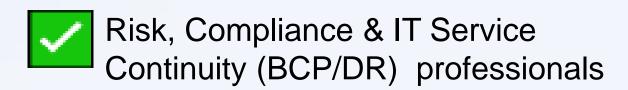
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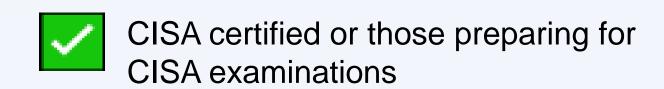


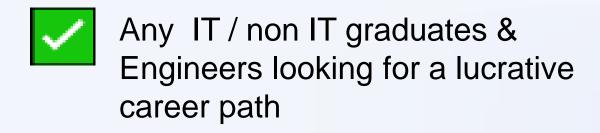


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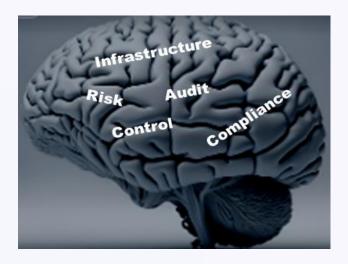








At the end of the course



- Various compliance requirements and security standards
- Unified control framework

You will gain thorough knowledge on

- Technology components, key IT roles and key IT processes
- How people, process and technology are interlinked with each other
- Information security /
 Cyber security related
 controls, classification of
 controls and how they are
 mapped to the risks

- How to improve the effectiveness of the controls in the processes
- Types of IT audits
- End to end audit process



At the end of the course

You will develop skills on

- Performing audit scoping exercise
- Population collection and sample selection techniques
- Conducting design
 effectiveness and operating
 effectiveness assessments
 and updating test documents

- Effective communications, prioritisation and attention to details
- Preparing effective templates such as project plan, risk and control matrix, test documents

Insights on challenging scenarios, conducting risk based audits and documenting at re-performance standards



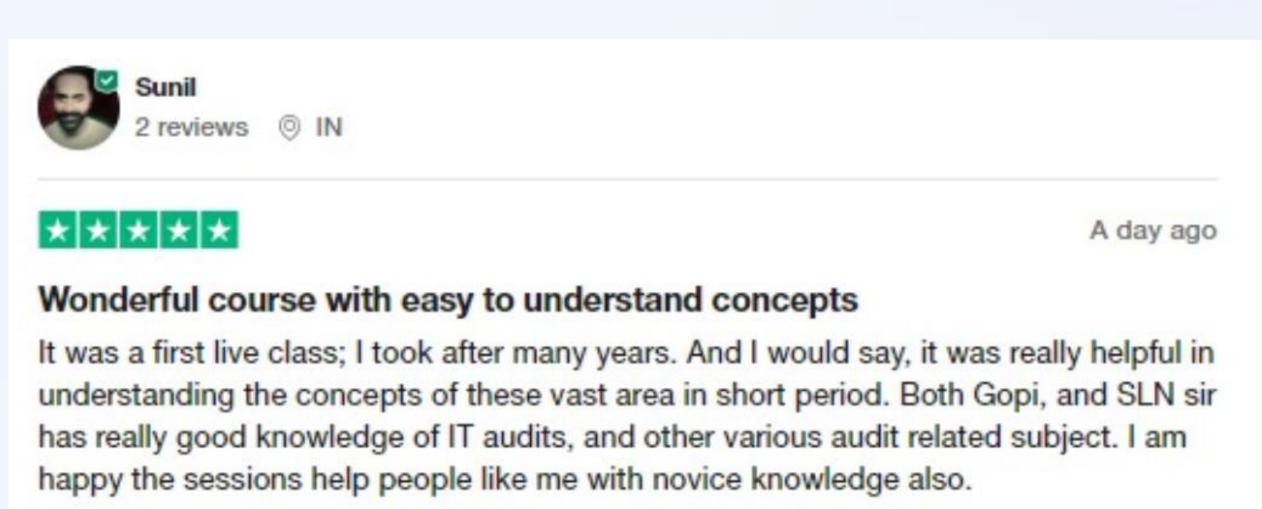


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We will Handhold You, Let us be Your <u>Partner</u> in <u>Success</u>

Thank You

