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INTERNAL CONTROLS: TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019

08:00 - 09:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

09:00 - 09:15

Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Chair

Angela Byrne, President, Angela Byrne Consulting Inc.

09:15 - 10:15



Best Practices in Internal Controls

Dr Richard Leblanc, Professor of Governance, Law & Ethics, York University

- Changes in risk governance requirements
- Internal Controls and their independent assurance
- Red flags for internal controls failures and how to overcome them
- Best practices: internal controls over reputation, integrity and conduct
- Crisis management and social media governance

10:15 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:30



De-Risking Innovation

Dr. David Weiss, President & CEO, Weiss International Ltd.

- Three core principles for innovation
- How can leaders de-risk innovation to increase the probability of successful innovation outcomes
- How can risk professionals inadvertently make innovation more difficult

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11:30 - 12:30

COSO ERM Framework: Enterprise Risk Management - Integrating with Strategy and Performance

Angela Byrne, President, Angela Byrne Consulting Inc.

A comprehensive yet nimble Enterprise Risk Management program is the prerequisite to a strong internal control environment; especially for companies with aspirations of profitable growth. In this workshop, discover how leveraging the value of the COSO ERM Framework not only benefits performance and risk management but also strengthens internal controls. Recent changes to the COSO ERM Framework are discussed along with the rationale for the changes and why they make good sense for today and into the future. Recognizing resource constraints, the presentation highlights those changes that can be made today that will realize the most value. Implementation strategies are presented along with strategies to address common challenges.

Participants will leave with strategies and a plan for next steps.

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- Understanding the recent changes to the COSO ERM framework and why they make good sense for today and into the future
- How leveraging the value of the ERM Framework benefits strategy and performance
- Strengthening the control environment and internal controls
- What changes to make today that will realize the most value
- Practical strategies for implementation and how to address common challenges

12:30 - 13:30 Luncheon

13:30 - 14:30

Maximizing ERM and Internal Control to Support Business Strategies and Objectives

Leon Bloom, Consultant, Deloitte Canada

- ERM as a capability framework to support achievement of business strategies and objectives and performance management
- Control assurance frameworks, regulation and common threads
- Governing principles and expectations
- Where are control frameworks going?
- Sustaining alignment of ERM and internal control with 'new risks', supply chains and the continuously extending enterprise
- Leading practices, insights and lessons to be learned

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INTERNAL CONTROLS: TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019

14:30 - 15:30

Enhancing Risk Governance to Strengthen Control Effectiveness

Leon Bloom, Consultant, Deloitte Canada

- Risk governance objectives, stakeholders and interested parties
- Increasing risk governance, control requirements and expectations
- Guiding principles for risk governance and control effectiveness
- Shortcomings in the traditional risk governance and control model
- Updating and continuously evolving risk governance and control practices
- Management and Board review and challenge
- Critical questions

15:30 - 15:45 Break

15:45 - 16:45


The Evolving Labour Model in the Digital Age

Marty Murray, Director, Business Performance & Improvement Practice, Protiviti

- Discussion of the major technological disruptors that are impacting company operating models
- Review of several examples of disruptive labour models
- Review of the major types of intelligent automation and how they are impacting business processes
- Threats and opportunities created by changing labour
- Discussion of changing needs of skill sets

16:45

End of Day One



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WRITING A GREAT MD&A: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019

08:00 - 09:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast

09:00 - 09:15

Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Chair

Eric Anastacio, Senior Consultant, IT Governance, Risk and Controls, CIBC

09:15 - 10:15

Leveraging MD&A for Shareholder Value and in Response to Wider Scrutiny

Leon Bloom, Consultant, Deloitte Canada

- MD&A and shareholder objectives
- Why should management develop a great MD&A?
- MD&A audiences: divergent self-interests and scrutiny from shareholders, “sell side” financial analysts, bankers, special interest groups and the public at large
- Shareholder value levers
- Leveraging risk and capital management, good governance, conduct and ethics
- Governance and regulatory expectations

10:15 - 10:30 Break

10:30 - 11:30

MD&A Best Practices

Leon Bloom, Consultant, Deloitte Canada

- Understanding and developing effective processes
- Importance of content over form
- Benefits of using plain language
- Maximizing the effectiveness of regulator and client comments on MD&A
- Monitoring the ongoing assessment of existing disclosures
- Clear financial statement implications

11:30 - 12:30

Best Practices for an Effective MD&A Writing

Eric Anastacio, Senior Consultant, IT Governance, Risk and Controls, CIBC

- Explore the best practices for an effective MD&A writing
- Answer the questions and challenges when drafting the quarterly MD&A
- Learn techniques to balance regulatory requirements, investor perspectives and the company’s best interest
- Explore how to align the MD&A with the competitors
- Discuss how to convert negative financial data to competitive advantage

12:30 - 13:30 Luncheon

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