

MY JOURNEY TOWARDS BEING THE IIAM ASSOCIATE MEMBER



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1. Why did you decide to pursue a career as an internal auditor?

Thinking about this further, I believe internal auditing gives me a room for continuous improvement to enhance my knowledge and thinking. Internal audit always enables us to unlock new experience from various experts and opportunity to understand the business processes across organizations.

2. How important is an Internal Auditor's role in the organisation?

An internal audit is essential particularly to collaborate with management to encourage process improvement and value added in the organisation. IA also provides independent assurance that an organization governance, risk management and internal control process are effective to maintain operational efficiency, financial reliability and to safeguard the assets.

3. What is the typical challenge internal auditors generally face? And amongst them, can you highlight what would be one of the biggest challenges?

Actually, there are many challenges faced by internal auditors nowadays. However, in my opinion, I find it most challenging where auditors need to remain relevant and up-to-date with the new emerging technology or systems introduced in an organization. Auditors also need to enhance and upskill their competency to enable them to translate it into audit processes. Auditors that are unable to adapt with system's development will face huge constrains, especially to assess risk in auditing process. Thus, the auditor must keep learning and get trained/exposed with current emerging technologies and systems.

4. Does the Institute play a role in supporting your Internal Auditor scope of work? If yes, in what ways? And if no, what can we do better?

Yes, IIA does play a significant role in supporting internal auditors through the training, sharing and articles from IIAM and IIA Global to ensure all of us aware and keep informed with current emerging issues or development.

5. Would you recommend IIA Malaysia to your fellow IA colleagues?

Yes of course, in FGV our Chief Internal Auditor strongly encourages all auditors to pursue CIA certification under "FGV Certified Internal Audit (CIA) Programme".

