

**2025**

IIAM ESG SERIES I – SECURING ASSURANCE IN SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENTS & INTEGRATED REPORTING

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Companies today face significant pressure to manage Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) risks. Investors and regulators are demanding accurate and reliable sustainability reporting, which reflects the growing importance of ESG objectives. As a result, many companies are now linking executive performance and remuneration to these objectives.

ESG reporting has become a global standard, requiring the same level of diligence as financial reporting. It encompasses various risks, including third-party data use, reputational harm, and potential flaws in sustainability pledges. Therefore, ESG reporting is not just a trend but a strategic necessity that can greatly impact an organisation's financial health.

For ESG reporting to be effective, it must be based on a robust system of internal controls. It should accurately represent how an organisation's ESG initiatives are connected to its finances and value creation. Internal auditors play a crucial role in this process, as highlighted by publications from the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) and the European Institute of Internal Auditors.

In Malaysia, the Securities Commission introduced the National Sustainability Reporting Framework (NSRF) in September 2024. This framework adopts the IFRS® Sustainability Disclosure Standards issued by the International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB). It includes IFRS S1 and IFRS S2, which focus on sustainability-related financial information and climate-related disclosures, respectively. The NSRF aims to ensure that Malaysian companies provide consistent, comparable, and reliable sustainability disclosures. Its phased implementation approach supports gradual adoption and continuous improvement in disclosure quality.

Additionally, Bursa Malaysia updated its Sustainability Reporting Framework on September 26, 2022. This framework requires publicly listed companies to report on 11 common material sustainability concerns and indicators. It provides a comprehensive view of a company's economic, environmental, and social factors. From December 31, 2023, listed issuers must include a Statement of Assurance in their Sustainability Statements or Reports, enhancing transparency and investor trust in their sustainability disclosures.

Overall, effective ESG reporting is essential for companies to navigate the complexities of modern business environments. It ensures that they remain competitive and appealing to investors while upholding their commitment to sustainability.



So, what's in for this course?

An auditor's role in ESG reporting is inevitably crucial. This course will cover comprehensive sustainability assurance skills and expertise. Practical case examples will be shared to guide them on the scope, cover sample assurance tasks with appropriate audit methods, and give sustainability assurance. This hands-on approach assures auditors' confidence and readiness for their crucial role in preparing integrated reports (IR) and sustainability reports (SR).

By the end of this course, participants will have mastered producing quality sustainability reporting (SR) and integrated reporting (IR) and transform them into a meaningful, impactful, and valuable sustainability statement (SS), which will tremendously benefit the assurance and integrity of sustainable practices within their organisations.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this training, participants are expected to be able to:

- Strengthen ESG audit capabilities by understanding global and local sustainability frameworks.
- Identify compliance with key ESG regulations, reporting standards, and best practices.
- Assess ESG risks and materiality to enhance governance and strategic decision-making.
- Enhance sustainability reporting assurance by identifying gaps and data integrity.

TOPICS**Session 1: The Sciences of the Environment, Climate Change, & Sustainability**

- Concept of planetary boundaries and their implications on economic and business activities
- Aligning business objectives with UN SDGs to drive long-term value creation
- Appreciating strategies for achieving carbon neutrality towards Net Zero 2050
- Exploring ISO 26000 as a guiding framework for social responsibility

Session 2: Local ESG and Sustainability Reporting and Regulatory Requirements

- Securities Commission and the MCGG 2021 and Directors' responsibility in ESG compliance
- Bursa Malaysia's Main Market Listing Requirements with emphasis on Practice Note 9
- Bank Negara Malaysia's and financial institutions ESG requirements
- Securities Commission of Malaysia: National Sustainability Reporting Framework

Session 3: International Standards of Sustainability Reporting

- Introduction to IFRS Sustainability Disclosure Standards (S1 & S2) issued by the ISSB
- The role of integrated reporting by IIRC in enhancing corporate transparency and stakeholder engagement
- Carbon Disclosure Program (CDP) and investor decisions
- Structure and key principles of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)

Session 4: Elements of Bursa Malaysia Toolkit for Sustainability Reporting

- Overview of the Sustainability Reporting Guide
- Common material sustainability matters specific to an organisation
- Stakeholders' expectations and determination of materiality
- Materiality assessment and matrix

Session 5: Trends and Challenges of Sustainability Reporting

- Exploring future and/or emerging trends and challenges of sustainability reporting
- Strategic practices of sustainability reporting and developing a robust strategy based on current guidelines
- Case study of real companies' sustainability reporting and practice
- Commencing the ESG journey



Session 6: The Roles of Internal Auditors in Sustainability Agenda

- Types of Assurance
- Assessing the role of those charged with governance
- The value creation process
- Embedded and integrated thinking principles

Session 7: Applying the Global Internal Audit Standards in Sustainability Assurance and Advisory

- Understanding sustainability assurance and advisory within the framework
- Key internal audit considerations in evaluating ESG risks, controls, and governance
- Providing independent assurance on ESG disclosures and sustainability performance metrics
- Aligning internal audit's role with best practices for ESG assurance and reporting

Session 8: Overview of Sustainability Statement Reviews

- Understanding regulatory and stakeholder expectations for sustainability statements
- Evaluating the accuracy, completeness, and reliability of sustainability disclosures
- Identifying red flags and potential gaps in sustainability reporting practices
- Practical steps for conducting an effective sustainability statement review

METHODOLOGY

- Presentations on key concepts, frameworks, and methodologies.
- Discussions of examples and cases.
- Brainstorming on organisational scenarios.
- Deliberations on practical challenges.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Day 1

08:30 – 09:00	Registration, Breakfast, & Welcoming
09:00 – 10:00	Session 1: The Sciences of the Environment, Climate Change, & Sustainability
10:00 – 10:15	Morning Break
11:15 – 13:15	Session 2: Local ESG and Sustainability Reporting and Regulatory Requirements
13:15 – 14:15	Networking Break
14:15 – 15:15	Session 3: International Standards of Sustainability Reporting
15:15 – 15:30	Afternoon Break
15:30 – 16:30	Session 4: Elements of Bursa Malaysia Toolkit for Sustainability Reporting
16:30 – 17:30	Session 5: Trends and Challenges of Sustainability Reporting
17:30 – 00:00	Dispersal of Day 1

Day 2

08:30 – 09:00	Registration, Breakfast, & Welcoming
09:00 – 11:00	Session 6: The Roles of Internal Auditors in Sustainability Agenda
11:00 – 11:15	Morning Break
11:15 – 13:15	Session 7: Applying the Global Internal Audit Standards in Sustainability Assurance and Advisory
13:15 – 14:15	Networking Break
14:15 – 15:15	Session 8: Overview of Sustainability Statement Reviews
15:15 – 15:30	Afternoon Break
15:30 – 17:30	Roundtable, Discussions, Topical Recaps, and Q&A
17:30 – 00:00	Dispersal of Day 1



ABOUT THE TRAINER

ASSOC. PROF. DR. EDDY YAP TAT HIUNG

DR. EDDY YAP brings over 25 years of experience in corporate, operations, and advisory, having trained as a Chartered Accountant and Certified Internal Auditor, with a PhD in Finance.

As the Founder and Managing Consultant of CONDUCTIVITI Business Advisory Sdn Bhd, he specialises in leveraging his comprehensive skill set to diagnose organisational health, formulate strategic solutions, and drive operational and financial improvements. His consultancy work brings him in direct connection with the public sector, financial institutions, telecommunications, healthcare, hospitality, education, transportation, manufacturing, retail, and trading industries, among others.

He was the Technical Writer of the Finance Ministry-endorsed "Guidance for an Effective Internal Audit Function 2.0" and Taskforce Member on the "FAQ on Internal Review of Sustainability Statement", both published by IIAM. He is ESG-certified by IIA Global on Internal Auditing for Sustainable Organizations, a Quality Assessment Advisory Committee Member of IIA Global, conducted numerous quality assessment reviews, and trained candidates for the Certified Internal Auditor qualification with good passing rates.

He is concurrently an Associate Professor and Visiting Lecturer of several universities, and an ELITE Fellow at Universiti Malaya. He is also a Board Member of a Bursa Malaysia-listed organisation.

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

TARGET AUDIENCE	LEVEL I-IV
MEMBER'S FEE	RM2,916.00 All Fees is inclusive of 8% SST
NON-MEMBER'S FEE	RM3,348.00 All Fees is inclusive of 8% SST.
	<i>EARLY BIRD FEE 10% discount for registration received one (1) month prior to respective workshop dates</i>
DATE	16 & 17 April 2025
TIME	9:00 am – 5:00 pm (Registration will be on Day 1 at 8.30 am)
DELIVERY MODE	Physical Class
LOCATION	KUALA LUMPUR
PROGRAMME CODE	2024/KL38
TRAINER	ASSOC. PROF. DR. EDDY YAP TAT HIUNG
CPD POINTS	16

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Yes No

COURSE DETAILS

Course Title 2025 IIAM ESG Series I – Securing Assurance in Sustainability Statements & Integrated Reporting

Course Code 2025/KL38 Course Date(s) 16 & 17 April 2025

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Full Name (as per IC) _____

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Mobile No. _____ Email Address _____

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Dietary Preferences Vegetarian Non-Vegetarian

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- Full payment is to be made before the date of the course. Fee is inclusive of 8% SST.
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