

March 2007

NEWSLETTER



President's Message

Our next breakfast presentation, on March 8th, is entitled *IT Operational Risk Management*, which will be presented by Farid Hirani from IBM. I hope to see many of you at the breakfast!

Also, at the March breakfast, we will be conducting a little Chapter business. We will take a vote of the membership on a motion to approve our new Chapter By-laws. Attached is a proxy vote form in case you will miss the breakfast, and would like your vote to be registered.

As always, thank you for your continued support. Please feel free to contact me directly regarding any Chapter-related suggestions or concerns you may have.

Vivek Dharap
909-6388

Proposed Edmonton Chapter Bylaw Changes

On March 8th, the Edmonton ISACA chapter will be voting on the proposed bylaw changes as presented at the December Breakfast Session, and available for review on the Edmonton chapter website (www.isaca-edmonton.ca). The proposed changes reflect board composition and membership growth, among other things. Please take the time to review the proposed changes prior to the March 8th meeting.

In order to ensure all members have an adequate opportunity to participate, proxy votes are being accepted. If you wish to use the proxy voting option, there are two methods available for submission.

Method 1:

Proxy votes may be accepted in person by any member of the board prior to the March 8th Breakfast Session. For a complete listing of Edmonton Chapter Board members see:

http://www.isaca-edmonton.ca/board_members.asp

Method 2:

The Chapter President and Vice President, Membership are accepting faxed submissions.

** Faxed submissions may be validated by a call back, if required.

To submit by fax please complete and fax the portion of the proxy vote below to:

Attn: Vivek Dharap
Subject: Edmonton ISACA Bylaws
Fax: 422-9555

OR

Attn: Suzanne Robinson
Subject: Edmonton ISACA Bylaws
Fax: 425-4627

Proxy Vote on approval of ISACA Edmonton Chapter By-laws

I, _____, a member in good standing of the ISACA Edmonton Chapter, request that I be allowed to submit my vote by proxy, and vote to accept/reject the draft Chapter By-laws as follows:

YES _____, I support the proposed changes to the chapter bylaws.

NO _____, I do not support the proposed changes to the chapter bylaws.

Please include any appropriate comments related to your decision below and they will be included in the discussion portion of the live vote at the March 8th Breakfast Session.

*Signed _____ Date _____, in
_____, Alberta, Canada.*

March's Breakfast Presentation

Operational Risk Management

Speaker

Farid Hirani CISA, CISM
Senior Security Consultant, IBM Canada Ltd

Date: Thursday, March 8th, 2007
Place: Royal Glenora Club, 11160 River Valley Road, Edmonton
Time: Breakfast at 8:00 am
Presentation from 8:30 am – 10:00 am
Cost: Sponsored by IBM (No Charge)

Presentation Overview

In the new world of regulated corporate governance, organizations are driven to implement a framework for identifying and managing risk beyond financial reporting. An effective risk framework should mitigate risk through the implementation of an operational risk management (ORM) program, with the added benefit of maximizing business performance across the company. In this session, Farid will introduce the benefits of IT ORM, and how the IT ORM framework can add to organizational resiliency through integrating with Enterprise Risk Management, and where multi-disciplinary personnel can achieve strategic objectives by managing operational risk. Time permitting, Farid will also conduct a sample walkthrough so you are immediately able to understand how you might apply the basic concepts of an IT ORM model in your own organization. You won't want to miss this amazing opportunity to learn the benefits of implementing an IT ORM framework and how it can be achieved.

Speaker Profile

Farid Hirani is a Senior Security Consultant with IBM Canada's Security and Privacy Services. Farid is a Certified Information Security Manager and a Certified Information Systems Auditor, with over fifteen years of experience in information technology infrastructure services, and eight years of experience in information security. Farid's experience includes all aspects of information security management, network infrastructure design, implementation and operations management, and directing and managing IT projects, for both public and private sector organizations.

R.S.V.P.

We look forward to seeing you at our March breakfast session. Feel free to pass this invitation along to co-workers, associates, and any other interested parties. Please register no later than Monday, March 5th at noon with programs@isaca-edmonton.ca.

Please note that cancellation must be received at programs@isaca-edmonton.ca at least 72 hours prior to the event. If you are unable to attend and are registered, you will be billed.

ISACA Edmonton - Coming Events

Date/Event	Speaker	Topic
March 8, 2007 Breakfast Meeting	Farid Hirani CISA, CISM Senior Security Consultant, IBM Canada	Operational Risk Management
March 12-13, 2007 Two-Day Workshop	Randy Franklin Smith, CISA, SSCP, MVP President, Monterey Technology Group	Securing and Auditing Active Directory
April 12, 2007 Breakfast Meeting	Doug Wilkinson, CA, CISA National Leader, Control Assurance, Deloitte	Best Practices for Control Assurance
May 10, 2007 Breakfast Meeting	Dominique Amyotte, CISSP Graycon Group, Ltd.	Managing the Diminishing Security Perimeter
June 14, 2007 Breakfast Meeting & Annual General Meeting	Darrell Jones, MBA, CISA, CISM, CISSP, ISP KPMG's Advisory Practice	Demonstrating the Value of the Audit Practice

Membership Corner

Have you renewed your membership yet? Please take time to renew online to help keep ISACA membership as cost-effective as possible, and to keep your contact information up to date. Our ISACA chapter receives membership information from the International website. If your contact information changes, please be sure to update this information at www.isaca.org. We update our membership contact information at least monthly to ensure you continue to receive information about our chapter events.

Member Benefit of the Month...

IS Auditing Standards:

1. Provide multiple levels of guidance in the form of standards, guidelines and procedures, with each respectively providing definitions of mandatory requirements for IS auditing and reporting, guidance in applying IS Auditing Standards, and examples of procedures an IS auditor might follow in an audit engagement.
2. Available at www.isaca.org/standards.

If you have any questions as to the benefits of your ISACA membership, please contact me. Your input and feedback is always welcome.

Please direct your Membership specific questions to Suzanne Robinson at membership@isaca-edmonton.ca or telephone (780) 498-8085.

Nominations are Open!

Have you ever thought of being on the Edmonton ISACA Chapter Executive? Did you know you could receive Continuing Education Credits (CPEs) for your participation on the Board? This is a great opportunity to network with others and help arrange local training that you would be interested in!

The following executive positions will be up for nomination at our annual general meeting held in June 2007:

- President
- Vice-President Programs
- Vice-President Membership
- Treasurer
- Secretary

Other director position include:

- Webmaster
- Certifications
- Newsletter
- Academic Relations
- Corporate Relations

If you want to know more about these positions, anyone from the current executive would gladly answer your questions. Visit http://isaca-edmonton.ca/board_members.asp.

We currently meet once a month for 1½ hours over the lunch hour. If you don't think you can commit to a full position, but would still like to help out, our Programs Committee is always looking for help to organize courses and breakfast sessions.

If you are interested in holding any of the above positions for the 2007-2008 year, please contact one of the following Nomination Committee members:

- Kristin Shandro – treasurer@isaca-edmonton.ca
- Suzanne Robinson – membership@isaca-edmonton.ca
- Dejan Slokar - dslokar@deloitte.ca

Job Postings

Title: Volunteer Webmaster

Company: ISACA® Edmonton Chapter

Location: Edmonton, Alberta

Opportunity: The ISACA® Edmonton chapter is seeking a webmaster to:

- Attend Chapter board meetings
- Update the Chapter website
- Modify graphics, as needed
- Summarize and edit web content
- Communicate with board members and ISACA® International representatives
- Maintain and create tools to expand the site's content management system

Technical Expertise:

- Classic ASP (vbScript)
- JavaScript
- SQL
- Photoshop or another graphics editing tool

Time Commitment:

- One lunch-hour per month for board meetings
- Zero to four hours per month for website updates

To apply, please send contact information to webmaster@isaca-edmonton.ca

Certification Corner

Hello All!

It is getting closer and closer to the June 09 exam date. I hope that everyone who is scheduled to write in June has ordered their manuals and are starting to study and write the practice exams. So far we have 3 people registered for the CISM exam and 4 people registered for the CISA exam.

For those of you who are thinking about becoming certified, or if you know someone who is thinking about becoming certified I would encourage you to go to the isaca.org website and look at the certification section. You should be able to find all the information you need about the exams and what is required to write the exam and become certified as a CISM or a CISA. I will also be at the next ISACA breakfast meeting with brochures and answers to questions about the CISA and CISM certifications.

I will have information on the CISA review course that will start on Saturday April 21, and continue for 5 Saturdays except May 19th. The CISA review course continues to be an affordable and beneficial way to prepare yourself for the CISA exam. We have a high percentage of writers who take the review course who pass the exam. It is also a great way of meeting new people with similar interests and networking, with your peers. This course can also count for CPEs for other professional organizations. The cost is \$195 for ISACA members.

For those of you who are registered keep studying and all will be fine.

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