Internal Control Series (March 2019)



A sound risk management and internal control system is a critical success factor for a business. The upcoming seminars under this series aim to enhance your understanding of the best practices in mitigating and managing fraud risks in an organization as well as the legal and regulatory framework governing businesses, in the context of investigations by the Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") and Independent Commission Against Corruption ("ICAC").

Topic/ Programme code	Date and time	Language	Speakers					
Managing Fraud Risks in Your Organization (SCPD19030401)	Monday, 4 March 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	English	Prof. Cho Chi Kong <i>Barrister, LLB(Hons.) London, CFE, FHKIMoD</i>					
			Mr. Fletcher Ng B(Eng) Engineering, University of Coventry (UK)					
Investigative Powers and Procedures of SFC and ICAC (SCPD19031501)	Friday, 15 March 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Cantonese	Prof. Cho Chi Kong Barrister, LLB(Hons.) London, CFE, FHKIMoD					

Hong Kong Institute of CPAs, Venue

27/F., Wu Chung House, 213 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong

Format Seminar

HKICPA member or student: Fee HK\$150 (for each) IA/ HKIAAT member or student: HK\$150 Non-member: HK\$330

Auditors; Financial Controllers; INED and Compliance Officers; Directors and senior management of listed **Participants**

companies; Company Secretary

Competency* Risk management; Information technology

Rating* Intermediate level

CPD hours (for each)

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About the programme

Managing Fraud Risks in Your Organization (SCPD19030401)

Course outline

Directors and officers of the company, including internal auditors, are responsible for ensuring a robust fraud risk management programme is in place to manage fraud risks as part of the Internal Control and Enterprises Risk Management framework to protect company assets and to take remedial actions, where appropriate.

References will be made to International Best Practices in managing fraud risks.

After joining this seminar, participants will:

- Master the skills and techniques in establishing a robust Fraud Risk Management Programme
- Identify fraud risks exposure by reference to potential Fraud Schemes such as Ghost Employees Fraud Scheme and Procurement Fraud Scheme and design fraud risk specific responses
- Investigate fraud allegations in accordance with relevant laws and regulations and best practices governing listed companies and SFC licensed corporations and to take appropriate remedial actions, where appropriate
- Understand the legal principles and best practices relating to the investigation and prosecution of fraud, money laundering and offences of market misconduct
- Learn the legal elements of major offences of fraud such as theft; conspiracy to defraud contrary to Common Law); deception; false accounting; and money laundering and corruption including the concept of dishonestly
- Consider the use of artificial intelligence and data analysis in the prevention and detection of fraud and malpractices

Investigative Powers and Procedures of SFC and ICAC (SCPD19031501)

Course outline

It is important for directors and senior management of listed companies to be familiar with, and to keep themselves updated of, the regulatory and legal framework governing the enforcement of the Securities and Future Ordinance and the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance by the respective law enforcement agencies as a matter of continuing professional training.

In this seminar, the speaker will identify the relevant investigative powers and procedures of SFC and ICAC, the respective rights and obligations of a witness as well as a suspect under the relevant legislation and Common Law.

After joining this seminar, participants will:

- Learn the current legal and regulatory framework governing listed companies and licensed corporations and financial market intermediaries in the context of recent joint investigations by SFC and ICAC
- Understand the legal principles and best practices relating to the investigations and prosecutions of fraud, money laundering and offences of market misconduct
- Know the powers of SFC to seek compensation for investors in respect of fraud and other misconduct or breach of duties by directors of listed companies
- Learn about the legal elements of offences relating to fraud, computer crimes, money laundering offences and market misconduct
- Understand the investigative powers of SFC and ICAC by reference to the recent investigations and prosecutions



About the speakers

Prof. Cho Chi Kong, Barrister, LLB(Hons.) London CFE FHKIMoD

Since the inception of ICAC in 1974, Prof. Cho has investigated major fraud and corruption offences initially as an Assistant Investigator and later as a Chief Investigator. In 1990, Prof. Cho was qualified as a UK and Hong Kong Barrister and was appointed Head of Legal Research and Management Services of ICAC.

Prof. Cho is the former President of Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, Hong Kong Chapter and the Co-author of a Guide Book on Fraud Risk Management titled "A practical approach to detection and prevention of fraud". He has conducted independent internal investigations into alleged fraud and illegal practices for Audit Committees of listed companies in Hong Kong and Singapore.

Prof. Cho delivers post-graduate courses in Corporate Governance and Regulatory Framework at the School of Accounting and Finance, Hong Kong Polytechnic University as a Professor of Practice (Law).

Mr. Fletcher Ng, B(Eng) Engineering, University of Coventry (UK)

Mr. Ng has over 25 years experience in being the Group CIO, Global and APAC CIO for international listed multi-national corporations, helping corporations to manage technology teams and projects across the continents. He was previously stationed in London, Paris and Amsterdam and has amassed considerable international knowledge and experience.

Mr. Ng has established track record in having performed major change management projects and in transforming business ecosystems through technology. He started his career as a programmer and worked his way up through the ranks establishing himself as the Group CIO for a major HK listed real estate conglomerate.

In 2016, he left the corporate world to mentor startups and university students, guest lecturing at universities and management colleges on innovation and emerging technologies such as blockchains. He is also an agile project management coach.

Mr. Ng runs his own IT consultancy which provides C-Level strategic expertise, coaching and project management to large and small corporations.



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