

25 – 29 May 2026

The 12th African Federation of Institutes of Internal Auditors (AFIIA) Conference

Sikebel' i Afrika:
One IIA, One Africa, One Voice

Call For Speakers



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South Africa



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The Africa Federation for the Institutes of Internal Auditors (AFIIA) brings you AFIIA week 2026, proudly hosted by the Institute of Internal Auditors South Africa (IIA SA).

AFIIA Week 2026

Governance Forum: Monday, 25 May 2026 – Tuesday, 26 May 2026

AFIIA University: Monday, 25 May 2026 – Tuesday, 26 May 2026

AFIIA Conference: Wednesday, 27 May 2026 – Friday, 29 May 2026

Venue: Cape Town International Convention Centre (CTICC)

Theme:

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During this conference, we will bring together experts, practitioners, and academics in the areas of Technology Governance, Information Governance, Security, Cybersecurity, Privacy, Audit & Assurance, Risk Management, leadership and ethics. From across Africa and abroad, our speakers and delegates represent a host of industries from the public & private sectors including banking, insurance, oil & gas, health, government, and higher education. Come grow your network, expand your knowledge, and stay ahead of the Internal Audit profession and opportunities it holds.

We are now accepting proposals from speakers for our AFIIA conference. We encourage prospective speakers to submit proposals before Friday, 17 October 2025 for either of the five days of this in-person experience. To keep delegates engaged, we also encourage creativity in alternative presentation styles - for example: practical case studies, panel discussions, live demos, etc.

As a leading international professional organisation with many members in more than 170 countries, IIA represents the interests of internal auditors worldwide. It is an internationally recognised authority, principal educator, and acknowledged leader in certification, research, and technological guidance for the profession. The Institute is the creator and custodian of the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditors, and the Code of Ethics to which all members must adhere. Speakers associated with IIA events are similarly recognised as industry leaders and subject matter experts.

In March 2024, the IIA South Africa proudly won the bid to host the prestigious African Federation of Institutes of Internal Auditors (AFIIA) Conference.

Established in May 2009, AFIIA serves as the unified voice of internal audit professionals across the African continent. Its mission is to collaborate on common challenges, support the development of robust and recognised national institutes, and promote a thriving, sustainable internal audit profession throughout Africa.

Key Objectives:

- Support the growth of strong, self-sufficient IIA institutes across Africa.
- Elevate internal audit as an indispensable profession among key stakeholders.
- Foster collaboration and joint projects across member institutes.
- Ensure AFIIA's long-term sustainability.



Value Proposition:

- Advocate for a unified voice for internal audit across Africa.
- Strengthen relationships with influential stakeholders.
- Facilitate collaboration and shared resources.
- Provide mentorship opportunities to emerging or struggling institutes.

Through the AFIIA 2026 Conference, we are building upon the AFIIA Mission and values and aims to contribute to the knowledge base that empowers our members, conference delegates, and the industries they serve to realise the positive potential and elevate the impact of internal auditing.



OBJECTIVE

To deliver on its promise, we aim to develop a conference programme that provides delegates with the necessary information, tools, and recommended practices to overcome challenges and seize future opportunities - all delivered in a practical, pragmatic, and implementable manner.

To reach this goal, we call on all dynamic speakers with topical content that will provide the best possible experience for conference delegates. This gives you, as a potential conference speaker, the opportunity to give back to your profession through sharing your knowledge and insights.

CONFERENCE SPEAKER BENEFITS AND REWARDS

In appreciation for your time and commitment, we offer conference speakers the following benefits:

- Complimentary conference registration to all speakers. In addition, we recognise presenters and their organisations, as **"conference speakers"** in the conference literature distributed to delegates and on our website and social media channels, where possible.
- Additional CPE hours for the session they present (CPD hours for speakers are earned at **three times** the presentation time for the first presentation of the topic or an extensively modified topic).
- Full access to the Annual Conference facility during **AFIIA Week (25 – 29 May 2026)**.



Complimentary registration is limited to one registration only - even when a speaker delivers multiple sessions. Complimentary registration is not transferable nor able to be used as a credit for future IIA SA / AFIIA events and conferences. Travel and accommodation expenses will be covered in accordance with the IIA SA's travel guidelines. This will be shared once your speaker proposal has been accepted.

| CONFERENCE SPEAKER COMMITMENT

If we accept your proposal as a speaker, we kindly ask that you:

Abide by the speaker guidelines (Appendix 1).

- Commit to attending the 2026 AFIIA Conference and delivering your presentation (in person).
- Submit your presentation proposal on or before **Friday, 17 October 2025**.
- Upon our review, we may request changes within two weeks of receipt of your final presentation. Please action these changes and re-submit as soon as possible and ensure the final slide deck is submitted by **Thursday, 30 April 2026**.
- Inform the IIA SA at programmes.info@iiasa.org.za, in a timely fashion if you find yourself unable to meet any of these commitments.

| SPEAKER PROPOSAL REVIEW PROCESS AND CRITERIA

The Conference Committee, overseen by the AFIIA Advisory Committee, will review the proposals received and confirm acceptance in writing by no later than **Monday, 28 November 2025**. The Conference Committee may be supported by independent moderators, as required.

Additionally:

- Final decisions will be recommended by the AFIIA Advisory Committee, and no further correspondence will be entered into.
- We reserve the right to suggest edits and changes to speaker proposals and speaker presentation submissions.
- Vetting criteria:
 - The session proposal was submitted by the given deadline.
 - All sections of the session proposal document are completed, and the minimum supporting documentation has been provided.
 - Any previous speaker evaluations or recommendations can be submitted and will be considered.
 - Proposals will be assessed and scored by the Conference Committee according to the proposal criteria and session learning levels discussed in Appendix 2.



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| SPEAKER PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Please submit proposals to programmes.info@iiasa.org.za by **Friday, 17 October 2025**.

| QUESTIONS

You are welcome to contact the Institute of Internal Auditors of South Africa office at **011 450 1040** or programmes.info@iiasa.org.za



APPENDIX 1: SPEAKER GUIDELINES

1. Knowledge of the subject

Speakers and moderators should have both in-depth and broad knowledge of the presented subject, going beyond their personal experience or the experience of their organization or firm. This will help provide examples for participants that illustrate various points of view or methods of doing things and allow for more complete responses to questions. It is also valuable to incorporate a global perspective whenever possible on the topic of discussion.

2. Presentation and panel discussions

Speakers must understand how to address and teach adults. This includes, at a minimum, good voice projection, coordination of oral and visual information, ability to interact positively with the audience, and ability to synthesize information into understandable segments and present them in an orderly and logical manner. One should avoid reading material from the slide presentation.

Speakers must provide a professional quality presentation. If you are making use of a slide deck, we encourage you to use our conference slide template (this will be provided to you). If you prefer using your slides, please ensure they are set up to a wide format of 16:9.

Speakers must not include extensive company branding/advertising in their slide deck or template and should avoid bold promotion of their products or services. You may be asked to remove this during our review. You are, however, welcome to include your company logo on the final slide, plus your contact details.

If you are a panel discussion chair, you will receive a brief with relevant times and speaker biographies before the event. You must organize, with the assistance of the office team, a 30-minute conference call with the panellists within the month before the Conference. If you are a panellist, you must make yourself available for the 30-minute conference call.

3. Consider the bottom line

Registrants attend conferences to gather information that can help them do their jobs more effectively. Speakers should attempt to relate information, keeping in mind how it can be used by members of the audience and the specific focus of the event.

4. Use of visuals

To ensure presentations increase understanding by utilizing both "show" and "tell", speakers are strongly encouraged to use both the spoken word and appropriate visuals. Visuals should be professional in appearance.

5. Audio-visual equipment

The standard AV package includes a lectern, microphone, an LCD projector, and screen. Additional AV is available on request, i.e. Internet connection, flip chart, and markers (please make the necessary arrangements with our office team before the event).

6. Attire

It is strongly encouraged that speakers and moderators dress in business attire during presentations.

7. Code of Conduct

Our conference is open to everyone. As such, we are committed to providing a friendly, safe, and welcoming environment for all, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, disability, ethnicity, or religion. Presentations shall be limited to professional topics and shall be free from inappropriate humour, as well as the expression of religious, political, philosophical, or other beliefs. All speakers, scholars, and delegates are expected to abide by the IIA SA Code of Professional Ethics and underlying policies (insert Policy if we have)



APPENDIX 2: PROPOSAL CRITERIA & SESSION LEARNING LEVELS

To improve the chance that your session submission is selected, please clearly demonstrate the following proposal criteria and session learning levels:

SESSION PROPOSAL CRITERIA

SIGNIFICANCE/RELEVANCE

- The topic must be something that will attract attendees.
- The topic of the session is timely for the industry today.
- The topic and session outline address current industry matters that align with the event's theme and are specifically intended to meet the interests of IIA SA's target audience.
- Attendees will be able to relate to the content and apply what they have learned in their roles.

ORIGINALITY/INNOVATION

- The subject matter is cutting-edge or presents new ideas.
- The content provides a thought-leadership perspective for the conference attendees.
- Content is presented creatively and engagingly.

CLARITY

- The abstract and title of the session demonstrate the intent clearly and concisely - feel free to be creative.
- Learning objectives are well-defined.
- The learning level of the presentation is clearly defined and supported by the learning objectives.

PREPAREDNESS

- The presenter is knowledgeable and experienced on the topic submitted.
- The presenter will use different ways to engage the attendees throughout the session.
- The submission is complete, and the presenter is committed to meeting all requirements and expectations.
- The presenter has prior speaking engagements with IIA Africa Chapter or Affiliate and at other events:
- Submission of video clips/audio recordings taken of prior speaking engagements is encouraged.
- If you have not delivered a presentation at a local regional IIA Africa Chapter or Affiliate event, we encourage you to do so to improve your chances of selection.

SUSTAINABLE VALUE

- Preference will be given to speakers who provide long-lasting takeaway messages or value to delegates, beyond the session.
- This could be indirect value through the choice of topic; or direct value by including resources to delegates such as bibliographies, white papers, relevant articles, tools, guides, sample programs, and other information.
- By sustainable value we refer to learning that extends beyond the session and adds overall value to the event.



SESSION LEARNING LEVELS

For attendees to have the most beneficial conference experience, presentations must be delivered at the learning level at which they were described.

Most of delegates are Internal Auditors with 5+ years of experience, therefore most of the submissions that will be accepted will be either Internal Audit, Governance, Risk, AI and Leadership. We strongly encourage you to submit a proposal that provides this level of content.

It is worthwhile to note that in line with delegate feedback and international trends we are moving towards practical case studies, solutions-oriented workshop sessions, and interactive panel discussions in preference to the now customary PowerPoint slide decks.

That said, if you do opt for a PowerPoint presentation, please submit the information in our PowerPoint template; designed for professionalism and presentation consistency.

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