

SPEAKER BIO

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Arlene's advice is to work hard and love what you do. She believes in the notion that success happens by design and not by chance. She is passionate about the internal audit profession and the role that assurance leaders play to enable the strategic objectives of business in a responsible and ethical manner.

Arlene is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the IIA South Africa since 1 June 2023. She has a career that exceeds 22 years in the fields of internal audit, risk management, governance, IT audit and control, project assurance, data analytics, business continuity management.

She is a strategist and influencer, and one who encourages intellectual dialogue at every opportunity. She holds a BCom degree (with majors in Financial Accounting and Information Systems) from the University of Cape Town, an MBA from the University of Stellenbosch Business School; and has been a practicing CISA since 2003, a CDPSE from 2020. She is also a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA). She has also completed a Higher Diploma in Computer Auditing at the University of Witwatersrand.

Previously, she served on the Board of the ISACA South Africa Chapter since 2012 and as Chapter President from 2018 to 2022. As a leader in tech, Arlene also served on the ISACA Global Chapter Tech Advisors Workforce and was acknowledged with the international ISACA Chapter Leader Award in 2022.

Arlene is involved in a number of initiatives that empower women. Locally, Arlene has taken a role on the Advisory Board of a community-based organisation called Mathmoms, that empowers women to tutor basic maths skills to foundation phase learners. Globally, she also serves as a volunteer on the One in Tech SheLeadsTech Advisory Group; and as SheLeadsTech Chapter Liaison and Champion.

She actively seeks out opportunities to realise her personal vision of open access to learning and education for everyone.

She is married to Jonathan Volmink, and mom to two young children. When she has spare time, Arlene enjoys spending time with family; and engaging her creative spirit through her appreciation of arts and crafts, nature and flowers.