

# NEWS RELEASE

## **Internal Auditors from Around the World Converge on Sydney Convention Centre**

*Event focuses on issues crucial to organizations' success*

SYDNEY: July 17, 2017 –More than 1,500 internal auditors from around the globe are expected in Sydney next week for The Institute of Internal Auditors' 2017 International Conference to be held at the International Convention Centre (ICC) Sydney at Darling Harbour from Sunday, July 23, through Wednesday, July 26.

More than 80 countries will be represented at the conference, including Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Finland, Israel, the Republic of Congo, Monserrat, South Africa, the United States, the United Arab Emirates, and China.

“Organizations in Australia and around the world must confront an increasingly wide array of challenges, including changing regulations, new technologies, and other key risks,” said IIA Global Chairman Angela Witzany, CIA, QIAL, CRMA.

More than 90 general and concurrent sessions will cover topical issues relevant to the profession and organizations. Among the international keynote speakers:

- Dr Philippa Malmgren, a bestselling author and public speaker on markets, politics, policy, and geopolitics. Malmgren served as Special Assistant on Economic Policy to the U.S. White House.
- Jonathon Calvert, author and editor of The Sunday Times' Insight Investigative team, which broke the FIFA corruption story.
- Robert B. Hirth Jr, Chairman of Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (COSO), which is releasing a key update to the Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework, one of the most widely recognized and applied risk management frameworks in the world.

Among local speakers scheduled at International Conference:

- Alastair McGibbon, Special Adviser on Cyber Security for Australia's Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet;
- Nick Abrahams, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright, who will speak on the impact of blockchain technology;

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