

Alex Hardy - Internal Audit ‘Young Gun’



“Professional Membership of the Institute of Internal Auditors – Australia is professionalism on display and credibility in the marketplace”, says Alex Hardy from Prosperity Advisers.

Alex Hardy is about to turn 31 next week and reflects back to his start as a trainee in the audit and assurance consulting services with his current employer Prosperity Audit Services.

Year 12 is always a turning point for many and Alex Hardy recalls the 007-theme trainee recruitment program that drew him to his current employer Prosperity at Merewether High School in the Hunter in 2005.

They were on the hunt for smart young men and women to join their ranks. He was fascinated by the risqué Bond-themed skydiving session for the Prosperity team. While he did not sky dive on that occasion, he has taken the risky sky-diving flight since, he admitted.

Alex joined Prosperity as a trainee in 2006, completing a Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Newcastle at night, and then going on to a Graduate Diploma of Chartered Accounting.

Now 13 years later, Alex Hardy is a senior internal audit practitioner and Professional Member of The Institute of Internal Auditors - Australia and cited as a ‘young gun’ by local paper Hunter Headline.

He says Professional Membership of the IIA is professionalism on display and adds credibility when advising clients.

He says his next goal is equity directorship at Prosperity, and considering the soft and technical skills learning regime he undertakes, promotion is not far off.

But not content with just a professional career at Prosperity, Alex is also deeply involved in the activities of the Institute of Internal Auditors - Australia.

He is a member of the inaugural Youth Leadership Committee, which is providing guidance to the board on what younger members want from the Institute. He said it was important for the upcoming generation of young professionals to assist in shaping the future of Australian business.

Alex Hardy is a Professional Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors – Australia. Alex was also named one of Internal Auditor magazine’s Emerging Leaders 2018.

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