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The Institute of
Internal Auditors

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PUBLIC SECTOR AUDITORS: A CRITICAL ROLE

Internal auditing of the Public Sector is arguably one of the most challenging segments of the audit industry. Especially with the constant media attention and the eyes of the citizens sharply focused on their government operations and finances.

The role of the public sector auditor is even more critical supporting governance responsibilities of oversight, insight, and foresight:

- Oversight – ensuring public sector entities are doing what they are supposed to do, detecting and deterring corruption.
- Insight – assisting decision makers by providing independent assessments of programs, policies, operations and results.
- Foresight – identifying trends and emerging challenges.

Obtaining certification through The IIA has never been more vital for public sector auditors to demonstrate their **commitment**, **competence**, and **credibility** to the stakeholders they serve.



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WHAT IS CERTIFICATION

ALL ABOUT?

The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) launched its first certification program, the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®), in 1973, because it recognized a need to establish a level of professionalism and recognition for the internal auditor.

Since then, more than 100,000 internal audit leaders have achieved the CIA designation, still the only globally accepted certification for practitioners of internal audit and the standard by which individuals demonstrate their competency and professionalism in the internal auditing field.

SPECIALTY DESIGNATION: CGAP®

Throughout its 70+ year history, The IIA has supported auditors in every specialized field of endeavor but in 2000, after a long period of intensive focus and information gathering, a certification program was launched that encapsulated the unique requirements of government/public sector auditors.

The Certified Government Auditing Professional® certification program was designed especially for auditors working in the public sector at all levels — federal/national, state/provincial, local, quasi-governmental or crown authority — and it is an excellent professional credential that prepares you for the many challenges public sector auditors face.

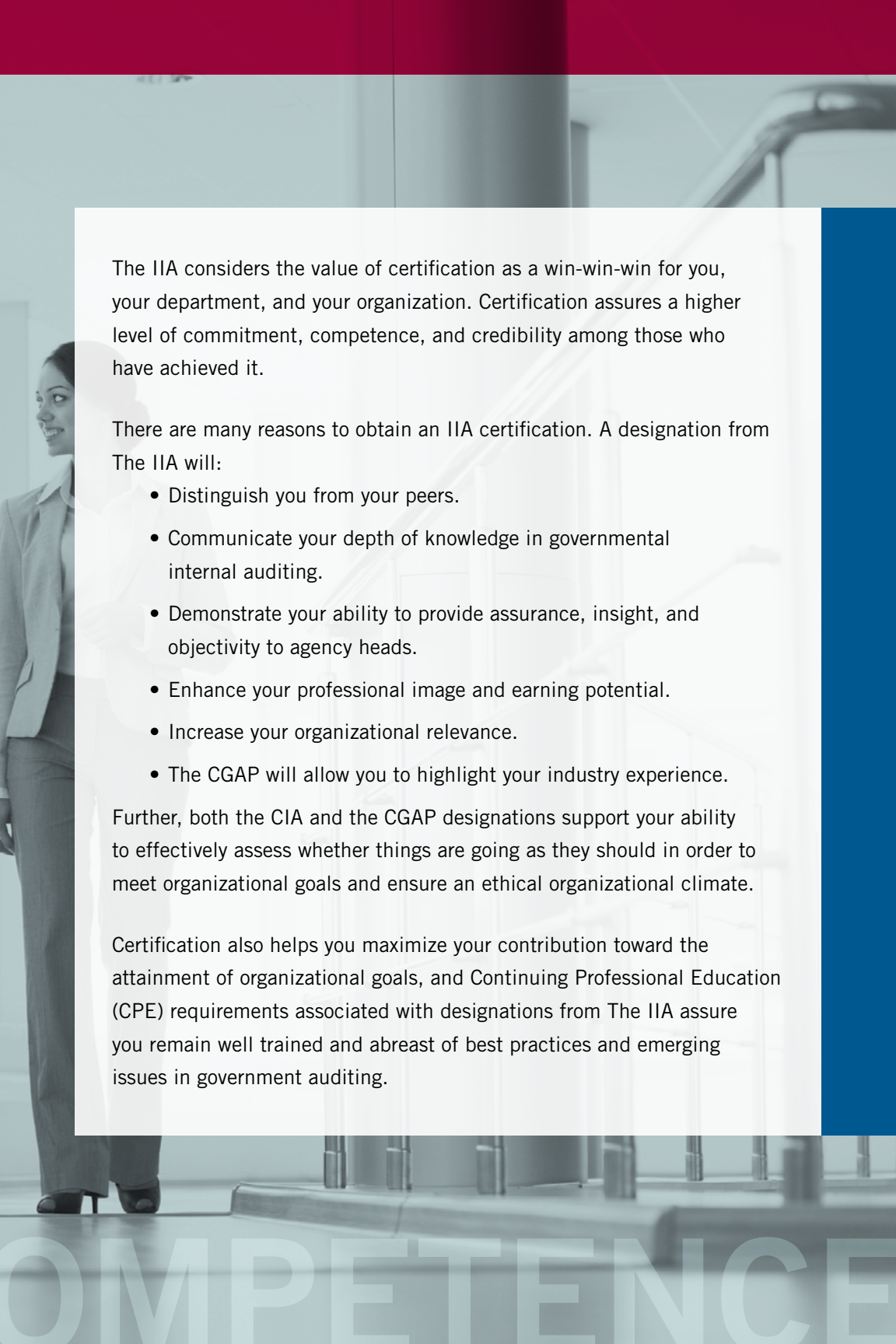
Moreover, earning a designation from The IIA is more than just proof of what you know and what you've achieved — it's the best way for auditing professionals to communicate to the world that they are prepared to meet today's challenges.

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THE VALUE

OF CERTIFICATION

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The IIA considers the value of certification as a win-win-win for you, your department, and your organization. Certification assures a higher level of commitment, competence, and credibility among those who have achieved it.

There are many reasons to obtain an IIA certification. A designation from The IIA will:

- Distinguish you from your peers.
- Communicate your depth of knowledge in governmental internal auditing.
- Demonstrate your ability to provide assurance, insight, and objectivity to agency heads.
- Enhance your professional image and earning potential.
- Increase your organizational relevance.
- The CGAP will allow you to highlight your industry experience.

Further, both the CIA and the CGAP designations support your ability to effectively assess whether things are going as they should in order to meet organizational goals and ensure an ethical organizational climate.

Certification also helps you maximize your contribution toward the attainment of organizational goals, and Continuing Professional Education (CPE) requirements associated with designations from The IIA assure you remain well trained and abreast of best practices and emerging issues in government auditing.

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HOW DO I

BECOME CERTIFIED?

You're thinking the idea of certification is a good one, but wondering *how to start the process*. There are Six Steps to Certification.

STEP

1

Decide which certification is right for you. The CIA is an excellent foundational program with numerous topics of focus that will create a well-rounded knowledge base for any internal audit practitioner. It remains the standard by which individuals demonstrate their capability and expertise in the internal auditing field.

The CGAP, one of The IIA's specialty certifications, is the pinnacle of achievement for those in the specialized field of government auditing and is an excellent professional credential that prepares you for the many challenges you face in this demanding arena.

STEP

2

Determine your eligibility and skill level. The IIA's website, www.globaliia.org/certification, features a list of eligibility requirements along with sample exam questions to give you an idea of what topics are queried on the exams.

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STEP 3

Register for the exam. Visit www.globaliia.org/certification to determine if you are eligible to register through your local Institute or the Certification Candidate Management System (CCMS).

STEP 4

Prepare for the exam. There are abundant resources for exam candidates. You just need to choose which method suits you best: independent study, group study, or a combination of the two. Exam preparation materials and resources are available through The IIA, your local Institute, and through The IIA Research Foundation Bookstore, www.theiia.org/bookstore.

STEP 5

Take the exam. Certification exams are offered through Pearson VUE Testing Centers at more than 500 sites around the world. What's more, you will learn immediately if you achieved a passing score.

For more information on the testing experience, visit www.globaliia.org/certification to download The IIA's free Certification Candidate Handbook or request a copy be mailed to you.

STEP 6

Receive your certificate. Once you pass the exam and meet other program requirements, you will receive a handsome certificate suitable for framing.

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