

REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA



MINISTRY OF FINANCE

AUDIT QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION OF INTERNAL AUDITORS' KNOWLEDGE, CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT

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Internal audit quality evaluation

Quality assessment program includes two basic components :

- Internal evaluation
- External evaluation

Integrated electronic system of internal audit

- Armenia implements Integrated Electronic System of Internal Audit.
- All annual activities of the internal auditors are aided by IESIA –from planning to the annual report. All information from the system is aggregated on the single server of the Ministry of Finance.

IESIA Structure

The IESIA system has 5 priorities of access, of which 3 are active :

- Internal auditor
- Group leader
- Head of Unit

Work evaluation

- After an auditor or any other IESIA operator introduces data or documents in the system, a supervisor must approve the introduced data.
- While approving, the person in charge must evaluate the performed work on the scale of 100.

Permanent monitoring of knowledge

- Monthly, all auditors are offered some tests with questions about internal audit laws and standards, 5 questions a week on average.
- Once in six months the head of the internal audit unit suggests a list of topics which require additional training of internal auditors.

Data aggregation

- CHU aggregates all received information, and aided by IESIA receives all data related to internal auditors' evaluation, and aggregates topics by their relevance in 3 groups of topics for the continuous training during the year

Groups of topics that must be taught

- Group 1- topics on changes in internal audit legislation
- Group 2- topics suggested by heads of internal audit units
- Group 3- topics summarizing mistakes revealed by the quality control program

Per cent ratios of topics chosen for continuous training CPD

Group 1	20%
Group 2	20%
Group 3	50%
Information technologies	10%

IT components

- During the year, as part of their CPD continuous development, the internal auditors receive mandatory training in IT.
- This includes lectures on IESIA and other software used in the public sector.

Continuous training

- Continuous training takes 20 hours per year
- Training takes place in the training center of the Ministry of Finance of Armenia
- Topics to be studied are published on the Ministry's web site early in the year

Continuous training

- Continuous training is mandatory for both public internal auditors and certified experts
- The trainees are tested on all studied matters at the end of the course
- The test contains 50 questions, and it is enough for an auditor to answer 75% of them

International training and certificates

- Internal auditors that receive training in professional organizations in matters that have been officially recognized as mandatory and published, are exempt from training upon presentation of the relevant certificate
- Any other topic not covered by such professional training must be learnt within a year.

Thank you for attention!

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