



Keeping the IT Audit Function Relevant





The Critical Asset Perspective

The IT Audit Function

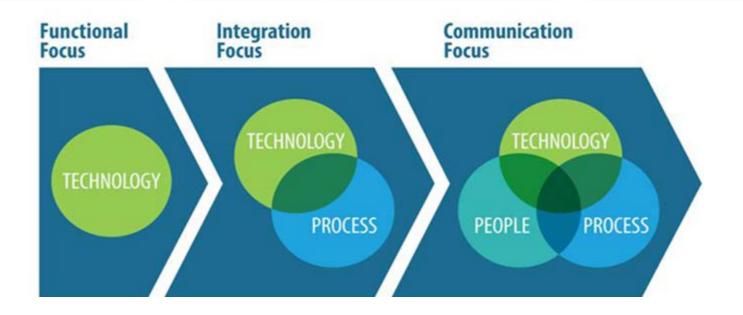
Strengthening the IT Auditor's Position



The Critical Asset Perspective

IT AUDIT FOCUS





- Scope and compliance requirements dictate technology needs
- Processes evaluated against policies and functional focus
- Integration and communication are afterthoughts

IT AUDIT FOCUS



ISACA Information Technology Assurance Framework (ITAF)

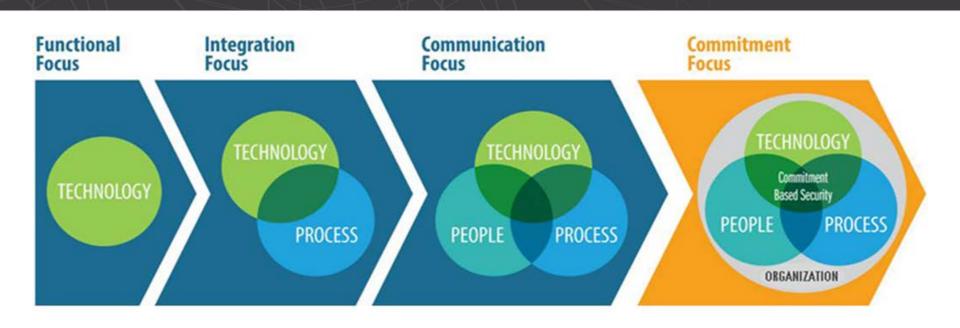
IS Audit and Assurance Standards as Exposed in 2012		
GENERAL STANDARDS	1001 Professional Independence	
	1002 Organizational Independence	
	1003 Reasonable Expectation	
	1004 Due Professional Care	
	1005 Proficiency	
	1006 Assertions	
	1007 Criteria	
	1008 Audit Charter	
PERFORMANCE STANDARDS	1201 Planning	
	1202 Risk Assessment in Audit Planning	
	1203 Performance and Supervision	
	1204 Audit Materiality	
	1205 Using the Work of Other Experts	
	1206 Audit Evidence	
	1207 Irregularity and Illegal Acts	
REPORTING STANDARDS	1401 Reporting	
	1402 Follow-up Activities	

- Focus is on process of performing the audit than on the technical/business aspects of the IT audit
- Several standards address certain types of organizations or certain aspects of IT (HIPAA, GLBA, NIST, etc.)

http://www.isaca.org/Journal/Past-Issues/2013/Volume-2/Pages/How-to-Properly-Audit-a-Client.aspx

• IT AUDIT FUNCTION FOCUS CENTERED ON SCOPE AND COMPLIANCE





- Technology portfolio as a whole becomes main subject of audit
- Enterprise strategy reviewed as cornerstone for process development
- Audit of process reviews portfolio functionality, integration, communication, and commitment

CRITICAL ASSET FOCUS



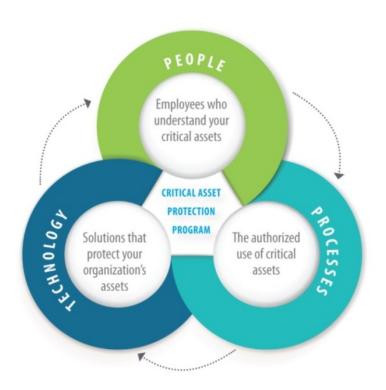


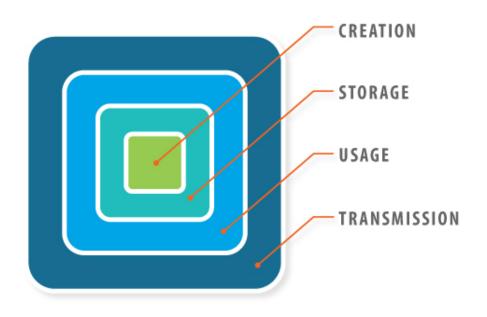
- Audit reveals paradigm shift (compliance to commitment based)
- Standards provide practical context of business use, support, and goals
- All actions audited are aligned with and dependent on enterprise strategy

CRITICAL ASSET **PROTECTION PROGRAMS** (CAPP)



BEW Global works in cooperation with customers to plan, implement and maintain a **Critical Asset Protection Program (CAPP)** that clearly defines what assets are deemed most important to the customer organization based on revenue, income, reputation and core operational impact..







The IT Audit Function

IDENTIFYING AND MITIGATING RISK

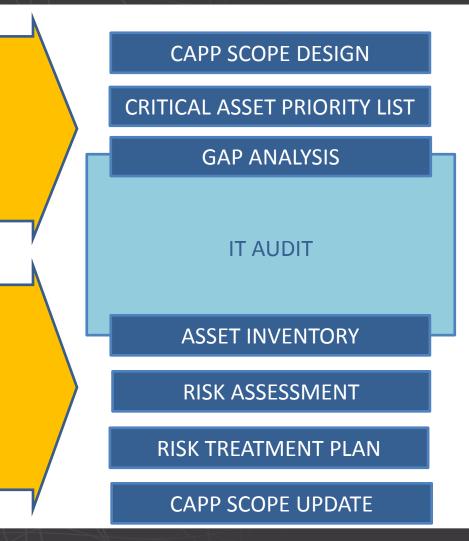


CRITICAL ASSET RISKS

- What are our critical assets?
- What is the value of our critical assets?
- What is the probability of these critical assets being compromised?
- What risks exist in having these critical assets?
- What level of risk can we safely/ultimately accept?

CRITICAL ASSET CONTROLS

- What controls do we have in our IT inventory/portfolio?
- Do these controls protect our critical assets?
- Do these controls address our risks (based on levels/priorities)?
- What impact do these controls have on business operations?
- What level of disruption to business processes can we safely/ultimately accept?



IDENTIFYING AND MITIGATING RISK





RISK ASSESSMENT AS THE FOUNDATION FOR ANY AUDIT



BEW GLOBAL'S ISO 27001-27005 RISK ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY





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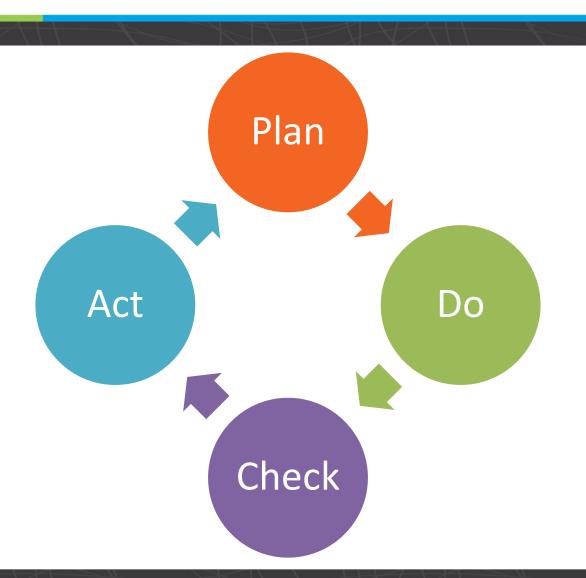
STAYING RELEVANT



MANAGE	PEOPLE	not TECHNOLOGY
AUDIT	PROCESS	not PRACTICE
THINK	CRITICAL ASSETS	not PLATFORMS
SUPPORT	BUSINESS UNITS	not SOLUTION OWNERS
STRENGTHEN	BUSINESS OPERATIONS	not TECHNOLOGY FOOTPRINT
ACHIEVE	BUSINESS GOALS	not COMPLIANCE

ISO 27000 & PDCA





INTERNAL FACTORS

PEOPLE
PROCESS
CRITICAL ASSETS
BUSINESS UNITS
BUSINESS OPERATIONS
BUSINESS GOALS

CONSIDERATIONS

TECHNOLOGY
PRACTICES (BEST)
PLATFORMS
SOLUTION OWNERS
TECHNOLOGY FOOTPRINT
COMPLIANCE

CRITICAL ASSETS & PDCA





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- Identifies organizational strengths AND weaknesses
- Ensures compliance (general & specialized standards)
- Mitigates risk
- Protects critical assets
- Reduces inefficiencies
- Demonstrates true ROI
- Enables the business decision maker's position

