



Internal Audit Awareness Month

The month of May is “International Internal Audit Awareness Month”. In recognition of this, the Saint Helena Audit Service has launched an Internal Audit awareness campaign which will run throughout the month to help communicate the basic principles behind modern Internal Auditing.

Internal Auditing exists today, independent and objective, as an assurance and consulting activity designed to add value to any organisation’s operations. It advises management on the adequacy and effectiveness of its systems of internal control, risk management and corporate governance – carrying out consultancy engagements, project based assignments and special investigations as required.

Bronwen Yon, Internal Audit Manager at the Saint Helena Audit Service who provide Internal Audit services to Saint Helena Government, comments;

“Internal Auditing has evolved considerably over the last decade in terms of its role and the services provided which are now far wider than just financial matters – it is now an established profession in its own right – and one that is dynamic, interesting and challenging.”

Sophie Young, Assistant Internal Auditor adds;

“From this awareness month, we hope that the public, Saint Helena Government and other organisations out there will be more aware of what an Internal Audit service should deliver and how ‘auditors help shape a brighter future.’”

Further information on the various aspects of Internal Auditing will be provided with feature articles in the Island’s media each week throughout the month of May.

Background information for editors:

1) Further information relating to Internal Audit can be found within our “Brief Guide to Internal Auditing” which can be downloaded from the Audit web site, www.audit.gov.sh.

2) The Institute of Internal Auditors is an international professional body which designates May as “Internal Audit Awareness Month” to help communicate the principles of the profession and banish misconceptions and ignorance. Further information can be found at www.theiia.org/.

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