

*The International Consortium on
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William Taylor Presented Top IIA Award

William L. Taylor, CPA, CGFM, auditor general of the Inter-American Development Bank, received one of The Institute of Internal Auditors' most prestigious honors, the Bradford Cadmus Memorial Award, at its recent International Conference 2000 held in June in New York.

Established in 1965 in memoriam of Bradford Cadmus, first managing director of The IIA, the Cadmus Award honors a select individual for outstanding contributions to the internal auditing profession in the form of research, education, publications, or other activities. The award recipient is considered one of the most prominent persons in the profession worldwide and is granted lifetime honorary membership in The IIA.

IIA Chairman of the Board Howard J. Johnson, CIA, praised Taylor as "a supportive member and distinguished practitioner whose outstanding leadership has advanced the honor, dignity, and recognition of the internal auditing profession throughout the world."



ICGFM Board of Director, William Taylor, receives the Bradford Cadmus Memorial Award

Taylor has been auditor general of the Inter-American Development Bank for more than 38 years and a member of The IIA for more than 19 years. He served in many IIA positions including senior vice chairman of the board, vice chairman of professional services, chairman of the International Relations Committee, and 1995 chairman of the board.

Active in The IIA's Washington, DC, Chapter, Taylor held a variety of offices including president and received the chapter's highly coveted "Person of the Year" award in recognition of his achievements for the profession. He also received the 1991 IIA Chairman's Exceptional Volunteer Citation for his outstanding contributions in internal auditing.

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The President's Message



ICGFM President Jim Durnil

This summer is a busy time for the consortium board of directors and we do not consider our activities to be "business as usual!" Let me brief you or bring you up-to-date on some of these interesting and somewhat exciting activities that are on the summer agenda of our board.

Jim Wesberry (Casals & Associates), Bill Taylor (Inter-American Development Bank) and Everette Mosley (U.S. Agency for International Development) are hard at work organizing ICGFM's annual, fall conference in Washington, D.C. This year's conference, the "Anti-Corruption Summit 2000", will be held at the Hilton Crystal City Hotel in Arlington, Virginia on September 21-23, 2000. Jim, Bill and Everette have reached out to many experts on the subject of corruption in public programs and

have arranged for these experts to brief attendees on the most difficult problem of corruption in the expenditure of public monies. Over 50 individuals have already registered for the conference, which is definitely going to be a sell out!

The ICGFM Strategic Planning Committee met several times this summer and is actively working to find ways to improve our governance and administration. With Linda Weeks at the helm, the committee hopes to come to our September board meeting with recommendations to improve our bylaws, our day-to-day operating policies and procedures, our membership database and our automated billing/invoicing system. By restructuring the basic foundation of our organization, the Strategic Planning Committee hopes to identify better ways that the ICGFM can serve the expressed needs of our membership.

The ICGFM board of directors is extremely pleased to report that Jagdish Narang has volunteered and is busy supporting Audrey Dysland in her duties as Secretary General. Due to ever increasing personal commitments, Audrey is now unable to devote as much time as she has in the past to manage the administrative aspects of our organization. Jagdish has stepped in and already provided invaluable assistance in automating our accounting records and improving the integrity in our financial reporting. Jagdish reports that these

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EXECUTIVE PROFILE

PETER V. ALIFERIS *Director, USDA's Government Audit Training Institute*

Mr. Aliferis is the Director of the United States Department of Agriculture Graduate School's Government Audit Training Institute (GATI). The Institute develops, promotes, conducts, and evaluates comprehensive training programs for federal, state, and local government audit personnel throughout the United States and for foreign governments. He is responsible for the formulation, implementation, operations and evaluation of a fully integrated training program for federal, state and local auditors. The Institute's students are primarily professionally educated accountants and professionals working within related academic disciplines who jointly comprise a large segment of the governmental auditor population. As the Institute is a non-appropriated fund instrumentality, and relies solely on revenue earned, Mr. Aliferis is charged with the business responsibility for fiscal, as well as academic success.

Prior to coming to the Graduate School, Mr. Aliferis was the Director of the Special Projects Office of the Office of the Comptroller General of the United States at the United States General Accounting Office (GAO). While there, he conducted an agency-wide review of the production and distribution of all GAO products in both print and electronic medium. During his career at the GAO, he was also the Director



Peter V. Aliferis

of Operations of the Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO's largest technical division.

For the previous ten years, he served as the Director of the Office of International Audit Organization Liaison, where he was principally involved in the setting of INTOSAI world-wide guidelines and standards for Internal Controls, Auditing and Accounting. Mr. Aliferis also managed the International Auditor Fellowship Training Program, which provided high quality training to senior officials from national audit offices from

other countries. Since he joined the GAO in 1974, he also worked in the Federal Personnel and Compensation Division and the General Government Division. Before joining the GAO he served in the U.S. Army, from 1969 to 1972.

Mr. Aliferis holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Boston University and a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Norwich University. He is a Certified Government Financial Manager.

Mr. Aliferis is a member of the Institute of Internal Auditors Government Relations Committee, The Board of Directors of the International Consortium of Government Financial Management, and the Association of Government Accountants AGA Academy Board. He is also a member of the Institute of Management Accountants. Mr. Aliferis is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Browne Academy, a not-for-profit elementary school in Alexandria, Virginia. He has received numerous awards in recognition of his contributions including GAO's distinguished Service Award, and his leadership was recognized by the Public Employees Roundtable in granting to GAO, their first time award for excellence in International Programs.

The President's Message

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improvements in our financial accounting could not have been accomplished without Audrey's expert advice and institutional knowledge.

All of these summer activities by our board members should culminate into an exciting September board meeting and successful Anti-Corruption Summit! Come, join us!

-- Jim Durnill
ICGFM President



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During his 1995 chairmanship, Taylor spearheaded The IIA's Strategic Renewal Session which provided The Institute with direction and strategies for the future. He expanded The IIA's conferences and seminars and introduced its first interactive satellite seminar.

The IIA's *Global Forum* of internal auditing organizations, which attracted representatives from 53 countries during its inaugural year was Taylor's brainchild. He led outreach activities to expand the profession in Latin America and around the world, and arranged numerous events for visiting international dignitaries including internal auditing delegations from China, Taiwan, and Korea.

Taylor represented The IIA at meetings and congresses of the *International Organization of Supreme Audit Institute (INTOSAI)* and the *International Consortium of Governmental*

Financial Management (ICGFM) where he offered recommendations for improving government accountability worldwide in regard to environmental auditing, internal control, and auditing standards. Taylor promoted internal auditing with key officials of the General Accounting Office, The Association of Government Auditors, and other Washington organizations. For years, he served as an IIA ambassador opening doors and integrating internal auditing in the public and private sector.

Taylor currently serves on The Institute's board of directors and is chairman of the District Representatives Committee and represents The IIA on the board of the ICGFM. He has also assumed chairmanship of The IIA's *2002 International Conference*, which will be held in Washington, D.C.

The IIA's NEWS RELEASE
June 30, 2000

For further details visit www.theiia.org

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September 21-23, 2000
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<http://www.anti-corruption.net>

SUMMARY PROGRAM

MODERATORS

Graham Joscelyne, Auditor General, The World Bank
Everett Mosley, Inspector General (Acting), U.S.
Agency for International Development
William L. Taylor, Auditor General, Inter-American
Development Bank

Some of the Top Speakers

- David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States -- "Supreme Audit Institutions Working to Build Accountability Systems"
- Robert Klitgaard, The RAND Graduate School -- "Preventing Corrupt Cities"
- Daniel Kaufmann, The World Bank -- "Unbundling Corruption: New Empirics on 'State Capture', Bribery and Kickbacks and their Implications for Governance Reforms"
- Guido Bertucci, United Nations -- "Anti-Corruption Crusades Often Fail to Win Lasting Victories: Why?"
- Jack Blum, International Investigator and Attorney -- "Experiences of a Corruption Investigator"
- Omar Torrijos, Attorney, Panama -- "The 21st Century Incorruptible State"
- Basil Pflumm, Vice President, Practice Center, Institute of Internal Auditors -- "E-Commerce Risk: The Perspective from the White House Summit"

Some of the Topics

- ✓ "New US Government Anti-Money Laundering Legislation and Policies"
- ✓ "The Importance of Blowing the Whistle in International Organizations"
- ✓ "Anti-Corruption Initiatives in the Former Soviet Union: What Went Wrong?"
- ✓ "Tracing and Recovering the Riches of Corruption"
- ✓ "Internal Control: Corruption's Strongest Deterrent"

HOST

James Durnil, President, International Consortium on
Governmental Financial Management

The Panels

Supreme Audit Institution Panel:

- Kenneth Dye, former Auditor General of Canada, Moderator
- Arpad Kovacs, Auditor General of Hungary
- I.P. Singh, Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India
- Raits Cernais, Auditor General of Latvia

Panel on Experiences of Official Anti-Corruption Commissions and Units

- Ramiro Larrea, President Ecuador Civic Commission Against Corruption, Moderator
- Roberto de Michele, Anti-Corruption Office, Argentina
- Mario Vircik, Slovakian Steering Commission on Anti-Corruption

OECD Panel - Role of the Private Sector: Creating Partnerships to Prevent Corruption

- Jorge Braga de Macedo, President, OECD Development Center, Paris, Moderator
- Nancy Zucker Boswell, Executive Director, Transparency International - USA
- Michael G. Daigneault, President, Ethics Resource Center
- Willard A. Workman, Vice President, Center for International Private Enterprise and Vice President, International, U.S Chamber of Commerce

World Bank Panel - Providing Adequate Controls to Prevent Corruption

- Alfonso Sanchez, The World Bank, Moderator

Civil Society Panel - Experiences of Professional, Civic and Non-Governmental Organizations

- Carlos Morelli, AAA Project, Moderator
- Victor Abreu, Executive Director, Interamerican Accounting Association
- Rose Inez Ospina, President, Transparency International - Colombia
- Kwasi Abeasi, President, Rotary Club of Ghana

IIA NEWS RELEASE

IIA RECOMMENDS ADDITIONS TO PUBLIC OVERSIGHT BOARD REPORT ON FINANCIAL REPORTING LIABILITY

In testimony before the Public Oversight Board's Panel on Audit Effectiveness this week, The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) commended the Panel on its Exposure Draft on increasing the reliability of financial reporting, and made recommendations for further improving the audit process. The IIA recommendations for further improving the audit process. The IIA recommendations focus on enhancing three areas: internal control in the auditing process; audit committees; and non-audit services rendered by external auditors.

This report is particularly noteworthy because it acknowledges changes in the marketplace that have impacted the type and quantity of services offered by independent accountants," said IIA President William G. Bishop III, CIA. "It also accurately identifies the need of increased reliability in financial reporting, due to the expanding global investment environment." Bishop went on to point out that, although the challenges of today's changing marketplace are dealt with very effectively in the Exposure Draft, "The IIA believes that audit effectiveness must also be viewed within the larger framework of effective systems of internal control,

which ultimately hold the key to good governance. This framework relies on a "partnership" among audit committees, boards, regulators, external auditors, internal auditors, and management."

Internal control, normally a primary focus of internal auditors, is vital to financial reporting. The IIA believes that an adequately resourced internal auditing function – as partners with external auditors and as a key resource to audit committees – improves the quality of financial reporting, external audits, and ultimately the confidence that investors place in the organization and its financial results. "Because consideration of the work of internal auditors is integral to gaining a comprehensive understanding of the organization's risks and internal controls, collaborative efforts between internal and external auditors are critical to investigating and reporting processes and should be encouraged," says Bishop.

In the corporate governance area, The IIA encouraged the Panel to recommend that the audit committee receive and review a comprehensive report on the adequacy and effectiveness of internal controls designed to mitigate risks, and that this

report be based on the work of internal auditors, self-assessments, external auditors, and other relevant sources.

Finally, The Institute recommended that the Panel include clearly-stated criteria regarding non-audit services that adversely impact the independence of the external auditors. "The IIA believes that the complete assumption of the internal auditing function by the organization's external auditing firm impairs that firm's independence," said Bishop. "And because audit committees are charged with helping to ensure outside auditor objectivity, the independence issue relative to non-audit services rendered by CPA firms should be clearly understood and carefully addressed by audit committees and senior management of all publicly-held organizations."

For The IIA's testimony in its entirety, see RESPONSE #93 under COMMENTARIES in the GUIDANCE section at www.theiia.org.

IIA'S NEWS RELEASE
July 20, 2000
Altamonte Springs, Florida, USA

RAYMOND EINHORN, CGFM, RECEIVES AGA'S HIGHEST HONOR

AGA Charter Member and Past National President Raymond Einhorn, CGFM, recently received the Robert W. King Memorial Award, in honor of his 50 years of service to the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). The award, conferred in the form of a gold medallion, was presented to Einhorn on the last day of the Association's 49th Annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition, held in San Francisco, CA.

Named for the Association's founder and first National President, the King Award is presented annually to an Association member for distinguished service of such significance that it greatly enhances the Association's national prestige and stature. Einhorn, who

served as National President during the 1960-1961 program year, is retired from the U.S. General Accounting Office. He has worked tirelessly throughout his career and retirement

to strengthen accounting principles in the federal government. He is a member of AGA's Washington, D.C. Chapter, which has named its highest award after him and fellow charter member T. Jack Gary Jr., CGFM.



Raymond Einhorn thanks the AGA for being awarded the distinguished King Award



Ray Einhorn was honored with AGA's top award

Einhorn, who had pacemaker surgery just weeks before the awards ceremony, flew to San Francisco from his home in Virginia to accept the award. He was AGA's guest of honor throughout the week and was one of a dozen Past National Presidents on hand to help AGA celebrate its 50th Anniversary. In his acceptance remarks, Einhorn commented on how much the Association and the government financial management profession have changed. In closing, he said with much emotion, "I am proud to be an AGA member."

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The ICGFM Community Congratulates Ray Einhorn!

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ICGFM THANKS FINANCENET OPERATIONS STAFF AT NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION FOR ITS CONTINUED SUPPORT!



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FORUM CORNER

APRIL FORUM



Mr. Paul Cotterell, Division Chief, Government Financial Division, Statistics Department, International Monetary Fund was the speaker of the ICGFM's April luncheon Forum. The topic presented was "Relations Between the Government's Surplus/Deficit and Debt" published in the last issue of ICGFM Newsletter



Mr. Cotterell with ICGFM's Vice-Presidents, Raymond Einhorn and James Hamilton

MAY FORUM



Mr. John Hegarty, Regional Financial Management Advisor Europe and Central Asia Region, The World Bank Group, shared his perspective on the Bank's role in accounting, auditing in the new international financial architecture

JUNE FORUM



Linda L. Weeks, Director of GAO's Office of International Liaison introduced the guest speaker for ICGFM's June Luncheon Forum, Mr. Czerwinski

INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AND INITIATIVES ON INTERNAL CONTROLS



Speaker Dr. Stan Czerwinski, Associate Director for Housing and Community Development Issues, GAO

The June Washington International Financial Management Forum, sponsored by the International Consortium on Governmental Financial Management (ICGFM) presented as the main speaker, Mr. Stan Czerwinski, Associate Director for Housing and Community Development Issues at the U.S. General Accounting Office, who discussed “International Issues and Initiatives on Internal Control.

Ms. Linda L. Weeks, Director of GAO’s Office of International Liaison introduced Mr. Czerwinski and provided an update on future work of INTOSAI’s Internal Control Standards Committee.

Mr. Stan Czerwinski presented an overview of the 2nd International Conference on Internal Control in Budapest, Hungary from May 8-11, 2000 hosted by one of the INTOSAI’s committee on Internal Control Standards conference. Other Forum participants who attended the conference were invited to share their perspectives on the major conference themes and the issues, recommendations, and conclusions which emerged from the discussions.

Mr. Czerwinski is the Associate Director for Housing and Community Development at the U.S. General Accounting Office. He is responsible for overseeing a broad range of evaluations

concerning housing, community and economic development, telecommunications, and other related issues. Immediately prior to assuming his current responsibilities, Mr. Czerwinski was the Associate Director for Environmental Protection issues. Before that, he was the Assistant Director in charge of GAO’s reviews of the multi-billion dollar Superfund Program. In 1992, he served as the Project Director for the Hurricane Andrew Task Force.

Mr. Czerwinski joined GAO in 1980 and spent his first seven years in the Resources, Community and Economic Development Division. There he was primarily responsible for a wide range of reviews on housing and food assistance issues.

In 1988, he became the Assistant to the Assistant Comptroller General for Operations, with responsibility for monitoring budgetary, operational, and staffing resource issues. Prior to coming to GAO, Mr. Czerwinski worked at both the Congressional Research Service and the Congressional Budget Office.

Mr. Czerwinski has a Masters degree in Public Administration from the University of Massachusetts and a Bachelor degree from Wesleyan University. He has received numerous GAO honors including the Meritorious Service Award.



Attendees of the June ICGFM’s Forum

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2000

XV International Governmental Financial Management Conference, Titled "Anti-Corruption Summit 2000"

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