






## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY BOARD FOR AUDITORS

### Webinar Invitation

#### **Building a Future-Ready Small and Medium Practice (SMP): *Technology, Professional Growth, Ethics, and Culture***

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 Date: 20 November 2025  Time: 13:30 – 16:00   
Microsoft Teams Event (Free admission)

The Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors (IRBA) invites you to an insightful virtual event that it will be hosting on the topic “Building a Future-Ready SMP: *Technology, Professional Growth, Ethics, and Culture*”.

#### **Event Objective**

SMPs continue to play an important role in the audit profession, especially as the landscape evolves with new technologies and heightened expectations for ethical conduct and audit quality. Recognising the need for practitioners to stay ahead, this webinar will address some key areas in shaping the future of audit.

#### **What to Expect**

Join us for a webinar with industry specialists that will cover these topics:

1. Audit Development Programme: Unpacking the monitoring process and addressing misconceptions.

2. Ethics and Organisational Culture: The influence of leadership in fostering an ethical organisational environment and the advantages associated with maintaining a healthy workplace culture.

3. Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Emerging Technologies: Exploring the opportunities and risks associated with the adoption of AI and other new technologies in audit practice.

We are pleased to confirm our keynote speaker, **Naweed Lalani**, Audit and Infrastructure Supervision Director at the Dubai Financial Services Authority (DFSA). He is responsible for the supervision and monitoring of DFSA Registered Auditors and Credit Rating Agencies. Prior to joining the DFSA, Naweed held various roles at EY and PwC gaining experience across assurance, risk, transaction advisory, Islamic finance, and forensic services.

More details about our speakers can be found on the registration page (see the link below). Please do note that the lineup of speakers and the programme are subject to change. The views and opinions expressed by external presenters are solely theirs and do not necessarily reflect the IRBA's views.

### **Who Should Attend?**

The webinar is open to all interested parties; however, it would be specifically beneficial to:

- Registered auditors;
- Registered candidate auditors;
- Audit managers;
- Trainees;
- Individuals interested in practice management; and
- Service providers and consultants to the SMP market.

### **Registration and Support**

Do not miss out on this opportunity, secure your spot at “Building a Future-Ready SMP: *Technology, Professional Growth, Ethics, and Culture*”. [Register now](#) to secure your

spot on the webinar. For any questions about the event, please contact Cathrine Ndomba at [standards@irba.co.za](mailto:standards@irba.co.za)

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### **Director: Standards**

#### ***About the IRBA***

*The objective of the IRBA is to endeavour to protect the financial interests of the South African public and international investors in South Africa through the effective and appropriate regulation of audits conducted by registered auditors, in accordance with internationally recognised standards and processes.*





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