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Dear All,

with more than 400 attendees, over 90 submitted presentation proposals and, for the first time, four parallel tracks, the IT-GRC Congress 2026 set new benchmarks in several respects on 29 and 30 June at the Estrel Berlin.

The focus was on current developments in IT governance, information security, IT audit, risk management, compliance, cybersecurity, regulation and artificial intelligence. The programme impressively demonstrated how closely these topics are interlinked today and how rapidly our profession is evolving. Alongside specialist presentations, keynote speeches and panel discussions, this year's congress once again offered numerous opportunities for personal exchange and networking.

A key item on the agenda was the **Annual General Meeting** held on the evening of the first day of the conference. Board elections took place during the AGM: the members elected **Markus Gaulke** as the new President of the ISACA Germany Chapter. Furthermore, **Sarah Richter** and **Corinna Kulp** were newly elected to the Board. The Board thanked the outgoing Board members for their commitment and, together with the members, looked ahead to the future development of the Chapter.

We would like to thank the programme committee, the practice groups, the secretariat, all members of the Chapter Board, dpunkt.verlag, the volunteers, the exhibitors and sponsors, and all participants who once again made the IT-GRC Congress 2026 such a special event.

And as we all know, once one conference is over, it's already time to look ahead to the next one: the next IT-GRC Conference will take place **on 22 and 23 June 2027 at the Rosengarten in Mannheim**.

We are already looking forward to seeing you again.

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COMMITTEES

Help Shape the Future: Join Our New Committees

At our general meeting on 29 June 2026, we announced the launch of new committees. Our aim is to make the work of the ISACA Germany Chapter even more inclusive and to give members the opportunity to contribute professionally, strategically and personally.

To get started, we are looking for committed members for the following committees:

- **Education (ISACA Academy):** Work with us to further develop topics, formats and programmes for professional development.
- **Networking Events and Event Partnerships:** Help design networking formats, establish partnerships and strengthen exchange within our community.
- **Higher Education and Research:** This committee is currently being set up. However, anyone interested can get in touch with us now.

This is a voluntary role and offers you the opportunity to contribute your own perspectives, make new contacts and play an active part in shaping the future of our Chapter.

Would you like to get involved? Then take a look at the committees and their respective responsibilities on our website and get in touch with us.

👉 You can find further information about our committees here: [Committees | ISACA Germany Chapter e. V.](#)



CHANGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP MODEL FOR NEW MEMBERS



As part of the upcoming launch of the new e-commerce platform on 20 July 2026, ISACA is switching to a so-called anniversary-based membership model for new members.

This means that new members who join after the launch will in future renew their membership based on their individual joining date, rather than the traditional calendar-year model.

Important: This change applies exclusively to **new members** who join after 20 July 2026.

For **existing members**, the current membership term and the existing renewal period remain unchanged. The processes for maintaining certifications also remain unchanged. The reporting of CPE hours, prerequisites and other requirements for maintaining certification continue to apply as before – for both new and existing certification holders.

NEW AI MODULE IN THE IT COMPLIANCE MANAGER (available to book separately for FS alumni)



The IT Compliance Manager course enables participants to translate regulatory and legal requirements into robust governance structures, processes, controls and evidence. Since this autumn, there has been a particular focus on expanding traditional IT compliance to include the latest requirements relating to AI and outsourcing compliance.

Against this backdrop, we have integrated a new module on the specific aspects of AI compliance into the course. The module focuses in particular on the specific requirements of the EU AI Act for providers and operators of AI systems. Furthermore, the module covers the legally compliant use of outsourcing through the clear drafting of software and IT service contracts.

👉 Further information and details on how to **register** can be found on the [Frankfurt School of Finance and Management](#) website.

PUBLICATION



New Position Paper: Cloud Exit

Cloud computing has long been an integral part of the IT strategy in many organisations. At the same time, IaaS, PaaS and SaaS solutions create dependencies on individual providers – for example, through proprietary data formats, closed interfaces or platform-specific services.

The new position paper 'Cloud Exit' from the [Cloud Computing Practice Group](#) explains why a well-prepared cloud exit strategy is important and how organisations can prepare for a planned and controlled exit from an existing cloud infrastructure. Among other things, it addresses potential triggers, key challenges, relevant steps, and legal and contractual issues.

The position paper thus offers valuable guidance for anyone wishing to identify cloud dependencies at an early stage, reduce risks and ensure their ability to act.

👉 [Read the "Cloud Exit" position paper](#)

EVENTS

Innovation & Tech Talk Online Event

The [Innovation & Tech Talk practice group](#) invites all ISACA members and other interested parties to a Tech Talk on **23 July 2026** from 11:00 to 12:00 on the following topic: **'Silence is defeat – communication as the key to managing hybrid crises'**.

In this presentation, **Johannes Steger**, Head of Digital Crisis Management at FGS Global, will discuss the central role of communication in hybrid crises.



You will receive **1 CPE** for attending. Further information and the **registration link** can be found on the [event website](#).

SheLeadsTech Conference 2026 in Munich

Registration now open, join us as a sponsor



The SheLeadsTech Conference will take place in **Munich** on **6 October 2026**, from 12:00 to 17:30 – the day before the [ISACA Europe Conference 2026](#). The event is a joint initiative of the ISACA Chapters Austria, Germany and Switzerland.

Look forward to an inspiring afternoon featuring expert insights, personal exchanges and new connections centred on IT, cybersecurity, governance and the visibility of women in the industry.

Come along, get involved and network with a dedicated community of experts.

At the same time, we are still looking for sponsors to support SheLeadsTech Day and thereby send a strong signal in favour of greater visibility, networking and opportunities for women in the tech sector.

Become a sponsor and showcase your company in a high-calibre, international setting.

👉 Further information, registration and sponsorship opportunities can be found at [SheLeadsTech](#).

Register now ›

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SAVE THE DATE: X-Mas Get-Together 2026 in Munich

Make a note of 4 December now: we warmly invite you to our ISACA X-Mas Get-Together at the Tollwood Winter Festival in Munich.

Look forward to a relaxed evening of good conversation, new contacts and a festive pre-Christmas atmosphere. Attendance is free of charge.



When: Friday, 4 December 2026, from 5.00 pm



Where: Tollwood Winter Festival, 80336 Munich



Meeting point: Theresienwiese underground station exit (at the top of the escalator, on the left-hand side)



Register via [Eventbrite](#)

PARTNER EVENTS

FEMx: Cross-Network Edition in Leonberg

On **23 July 2026**, from 5.00 pm, FEMx: Cross-Network Edition will bring together women from various networks on the rooftop terrace of Schönbrunn TASC GmbH in **Leonberg**.

Look forward to short keynote talks on AI, cybersecurity, innovation and leadership, one-to-one conversations and relaxed networking in a summery atmosphere. **SheLeadsTech** will also be represented as one of the participating networks.



Further information and registration: [FEMx: Cross-Network Edition for Women in Tech, Cyber & Innovation | TASC - Schönbrunn TASC](#)



GRC Days for SAP Applications

Security and compliance in SAP systems are the focus of the GRC Days on **23 and 24 November 2026 in Heidelberg**.

The conference provides in-depth practical knowledge for professionals in audit, IT, governance and SAP security. The focus is on current regulatory requirements, effective internal control mechanisms and the automation of compliance reporting and audits. In addition, experienced experts will examine modern audit approaches for cloud environments, the security of hybrid SAP landscapes and key challenges of the S/4HANA transformation.

ISACA members receive a **10% discount** on the conference ticket. You can find the code in the [members' area](#) of our website.

 Secure further benefits by booking an **early-bird ticket by 5 October 2026!**

 Further information can be found on the event website: [GRC Days – The Conference for SAP Security and Compliance](#)



IT Governance Insights 2026

IT Governance Insights 2026 will take place on **25 and 26 November 2026** at the Hotel AMERON Königshof (Adenauerallee 9, 53111 Bonn) **in Bonn**.

The conference will focus on how organisations can successfully combine security, compliance and innovation. This is because they are increasingly faced with the challenge of designing their IT strategy in an agile manner, meeting regulatory requirements such as NIS2 and the Cyber Resilience Act, whilst at the same time driving innovation forward.

You can look forward to practical presentations and valuable insights from experienced experts. Our President, **Markus Gaulke**, and other members of our specialist groups are also actively contributing to the programme with their specialist presentations.

ISACA members benefit from a **discounted ticket price**. You can find the direct link to the shopping basket in the [members' area](#) of our website.

 Further information can be found on the event website: [IT-Governance Insights 2026](#)



FURTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Expert Group Conference Days 2026

Exclusively for our active expert group members

Are you an active member of one of our expert groups? Then come along and meet like-minded people!

 **When:** 29–30 September 2026

 **Where:** Dorint Kongresshotel Düsseldorf/Neuss (Selikumer Str. 25, 41460 Neuss)

 Further information and **registration:**
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Partner event: ECSO CISO Meetup Berlin 2026

This **English-language** event is one of the largest CISO gatherings in Europe and brings together CISOs, deputy CISOs and other cybersecurity executives from CISO teams across Europe and various sectors.

 **When:** 1–2 October 2026

 **Where:** Estrel Berlin

 Further information and **registration for free attendance:**
[Home | The ECSO CISO Meetup 2026 – Berlin](#)



OUR TRAININGS

We are pleased to provide you with another overview of our upcoming seminar dates. Further dates and our full range of training courses, including detailed information, can be found on our website under 'Ausbildung & Events'. For a quick overview, we recommend taking a look at our [seminar flyer](#).

Upcoming dates:

[CISA Exam Preparation](#): 1–4 September 2026 (online)
[Cyber Security Practitioner OT](#): 1 September 2026 (online)
[KI Governance Practitioner](#): 4 September 2026 (online)
[IT Governance Manager](#): 7–9 September and 19–21 October 2026 in Frankfurt am Main
[IT Regulatory Assurance Manager](#): 8–10 September and 21–23 October 2026 in Frankfurt am Main
[IT Compliance Manager](#): 8–10 September and 26–28 October 2026 in Frankfurt am Main
[CISM Exam Preparation](#): 7–10 September 2026 (online)
[Information Security Practitioner](#): 10–11 September 2026 (online)
[CRISC Exam Preparation](#): 14–17 September 2026 (online)
[Cyber Security Practitioner](#): 18 September 2026 (online)
[CASA – Certified Auditor® for SAP® Applications](#): 21–24 September 2026 (online)



AAIA exam preparation: 28–29 September 2026 (online)
Cyber Security Grundlagen: 28–29 September 2026 in Frankfurt am Main

You can **register** via the relevant seminar website. **Please note that member discounts can only be applied once you have logged in.**

We also offer almost all our seminars as **in-house** training programmes; if you are interested, please feel free to contact our [office](#).

You will receive Continuing Professional Education (**CPE**) credits for participating in our courses.

We look forward to receiving your seminar registration!

Kind regards,
The Office of the ISACA Germany Chapter e. V.

You can find further information about our association on our website at www.isaca.de.
You can read the monthly newsletters from ISACA Global [here](#).



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