

ISACA Germany: Call for Applications: Programme Committee for the IT-GRC Congress 2027 | Committee Work | Publications | Survey | Events, Seminars

Dear All,

Would you like to play an **active role** in shaping the next edition of the **IT-GRC Congress** – working behind the scenes, but with a significant influence? Then apply by **18 September 2026** to join the programme committee.

Please send your application to IT-GRC-Kongress@isaca.de and include a short pitch explaining why you are the ideal candidates for the Programme Committee.

Here are the key points at a glance:

Responsibilities of the Programme Committee

1. Participation in the monthly virtual regular meeting
2. Defining and further developing the programme structure
3. Reviewing the evaluation criteria and adapting the submission form for the Call for Papers
4. Selecting the keynote speakers, as well as planning and organising other programme elements, e.g. panel discussions
5. Individual assessment of submitted papers
6. Participation in virtual coordination meetings to discuss the assessments (as required)
7. Participation in virtual meetings with the selected speakers, including to coordinate the communication and promotion of their presentations via social media
8. Support in marketing the conference via social media
9. Creation and publication of social media posts during the conference
10. Preparation of a conference report for IT Governance, the website and other communication channels
11. Moderation of the tracks as part of the IT-GRC Conference
12. Support with organisational tasks arising at short notice during the IT-GRC Conference
13. Participation in the virtual wrap-up session following the conference to reflect on and discuss the lessons learnt

What are the benefits of getting involved?

As a member of the programme committee, you'll enjoy the following benefits:

- a **free ticket** to the IT-GRC Congress 2027, including the evening event
- **reimbursement of travel expenses**, including accommodation at the congress hotel, in connection with the Programme Committee meeting and the congress, in accordance with the ISACA Travel Policy
- a **group dinner on the eve of the congress**
- the opportunity to claim **CPEs** for your work on the Programme Committee

Timetable, key dates

- Application deadline: 18 September 2026
- Selection decision: 24 September 2026
- Start of the Programme Committee/first online meeting: 12 October 2026, 6.00–8.00 pm
- Programme Committee meeting in **Mannheim**: 1 February 2026, 10.00–16.00
- IT-GRC Congress 2027: 22–23 June 2027

Please only apply if you are able to attend these dates. We look forward to receiving your applications!

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We'd love you to get involved: Looking for new members for our committees

Our new committees are up and running – and we're still looking for members who'd like to play an active role in shaping the work of the ISACA Germany Chapter.

We're currently looking for new members in the following areas:

- **Professional Development (ISACA Academy)**: Share your ideas for topics, formats and professional development programmes.
- **Networking events and event partnerships**: Help design networking formats, develop partnerships and strengthen engagement within our community.

- **Universities and research:** Foster dialogue between academia and industry, expand partnerships with universities and research institutions, and contribute to studies, publications and other joint projects.

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

Are you interested in getting involved? Then get in touch with us – we'd love to welcome more like-minded people on board!

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



PUBLICATIONS

New ISACA resource: EU Regulatory Mapping Guide

How do ISACA certifications, training programmes and frameworks align with current regulatory requirements in Europe?

ISACA's new **EU Regulatory Mapping Guide** provides a concise overview and demonstrates how ISACA's offerings can help organisations build the necessary capabilities in the areas of governance, cybersecurity, privacy and digital trust.

Key EU regulations covered include the **AI Act**, **NIS2**, **DORA**, the **Cyber Resilience Act** and the **GDPR**.



Various programmes offered by the ISACA Germany Chapter also address key themes of these regulations. **Of particular note are:**

- Cyber Resilience Act (CRA): [Cyber Security Practitioner OT](#)
- Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA): [IT Regulatory Assurance Manager](#)
- NIS2 Directive: [Cyber Security Grundlagen](#) and [Cyber Security Practitioner](#)
- AI Act: [AI Governance Practitioner](#)

The guide thus complements ISACA's international offerings by providing helpful guidance on which of our chapter's training programmes align thematically with current regulatory requirements.

👉 **Discover the EU Regulatory Mapping Guide:** [EU Regulatory Mapping: ISACA Certifications & Training | isaca.org](#)

European Cybersecurity Skills Framework (ECSF): ISACA qualifications within the European skills framework

With the **European Cybersecurity Skills Framework (ECSF)**, ENISA has created a common European reference framework for cybersecurity roles and the skills required for them. It helps organisations to define the skills they need and provides professionals with guidance on career and development paths.

Of particular interest to members of the ISACA Germany Chapter is the fact that both internationally recognised ISACA certifications and the certificate programmes offered by the Chapter cover many of the competence profiles described in the ECSF.

The following programmes are particularly worth highlighting:

- 'Cyber Security Grundlagen' and 'Cyber Security Practitioner' impart the essential fundamentals and best practices of cyber security and, in particular, support the ECSF profiles 'Cyber Security Educator' and 'Cyber Security Implementor'.
- 'IT Risk Practitioner' and 'IT Regulatory Assurance Manager' deal in depth with IT risk management, governance and regulatory requirements and are an excellent fit for the ECSF profile 'Cyber Security Risk Manager'.
- The [Cyber Security Expert](#) course provides in-depth knowledge on the detection, analysis and management of cyber attacks, thereby supporting, in particular, the ECSF profile 'Cyber Incident Responder'.

ECSF Profile	ISACA Cert	Notes
Chief Information Security Officer (CISO)	Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)	CISM indicates expertise in information security governance, program development and management, incident management and risk management.
Cyber Incident Responder	Certified Cybersecurity Specialist - Analysis (CCSC)	CCSC empowers cybersecurity professionals to perform their hands-on activities in effectively analysing, detecting and responding to cyber threats.
Cyber Legal Policy & Compliance Officer	Certified Data Privacy Specialist (CCSP)	CCSP focuses on validating the technical skills and knowledge related to privacy, data and implementing a comprehensive privacy solution.
	and/or	
	Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)	CISM indicates expertise in information security governance, program development and management, incident management and risk management.
Cyber Threat Intelligence Specialist	Certified Cybersecurity Specialist - System Risk and Control (CCSC)	CCSC validates your experience in building a well-defined, agile risk management program, based on best practices to identify, analyse, evaluate, assess, prioritize and respond to risks. The framework controls realization and delivers optimal value to stakeholders.
	and/or	
	IT Risk Practitioner Certificate	IT Risk Practitioner Certificate and related training is ideal for professionals who need to deliver robust risk and governance and knowledge. All members of the security team with risk professionals, or new hires to risk and interested in working as a risk or IT Risk professional.

Furthermore, established ISACA certifications such as [CISA](#), [CISM](#) and [CRISC](#) provide internationally recognised proof of competence in audit, information security, governance and risk management, and are becoming increasingly important from a strategic perspective in the context of the ECSF.

👉 Further information on the European Cybersecurity Skills Framework and how it maps to the individual ISACA certifications can be found at [European Cybersecurity Skills Framework | isaca.org](#).

SURVEY

Research survey on COBIT 2019 and IT governance

As part of his Master's thesis at **Antwerp Management School**, Timothy Wildemeersch, under the supervision of Prof. Dr Yuri Bobbert, is investigating how current influencing factors affect the relevance of the COBIT 2019 Governance and Management Objectives in organisations with federated application management services.

For this empirical study, experienced specialists and managers from the fields of **IT governance, IT management, service delivery and enterprise architecture** are sought. The survey is anonymous, takes around **10–15 minutes** to complete and remains open until **30 August 2026**.

By taking part, you will be supporting a research study directly related to **COBIT® 2019** and contributing to the further development of insights into the practical application of the framework.

👉 **Take the survey:** https://uamangementschool.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_elnFINd5g1SCweO

👉 You can find further information in Timothy's **LinkedIn post:** https://www.linkedin.com/posts/twildemeersch_itgovernance-cobit-cobit2019-share-7492476822400684034-W5VE/

Many thanks to everyone who takes part or shares the survey within their network!

EVENTS

ISACA Europe Conference 2026 – Early bird discount available until 28 August

The ISACA Europe Conference 2026 will take place in **Munich** from **7 to 9 October 2026** – with the option to attend virtually. The conference will focus on current topics such as digital trust, cybersecurity, IT audit, governance and risk.



Look forward to more than 40 sessions, over 50 speakers, numerous networking opportunities and up to 32 CPEs when combined with a workshop.

👉 **Exclusively for our members:** you'll receive a **30% discount** on the standard conference price. You'll find the discount code in the **members' area** of our website. Anyone who registers **by 28 August 2026** will also benefit from the **early-bird rates**.

👉 Further information on the programme, speakers and registration can be found on the conference website: [ISACA 2026 Europe Conference | isaca.org](https://isaca.org)

🌐 ISACA CommuniTy Day 2026 – Join in!

This year's **ISACA CommuniTy Day** will take place from **26 September to 4 October 2026**. ISACA members, chapters, families and friends around the world are getting involved in a variety of activities to support their local communities.



Fancy getting involved yourselves? Then launch your own initiative! Whether it's social engagement, environmental protection, supporting a charity or an initiative focused on digital skills – there are virtually no limits to your ideas.

As a chapter, we aren't organising a centralised initiative, but we're happy to help you raise the profile of your initiative. For example, by

- publishing details on our website,
- promoting it via our social media channels,
- and providing ISACA goodies for your initiative.

The hashtag **#ISACACommuniTyDay** is used to share highlights, photos and activities from the global ISACA community.

👉 **Do you have an idea or would you like to launch an initiative? Then please get in touch with us!**

You can find further information at [ISACA CommuniTy Day | isaca.org](https://isaca.org).

FUTHER EVENTS IN REMEMBRANCE

Professional Group Conference Days 2026 – Exclusively for active members of the ISACA Germany Chapter's professional groups



Are you **active members** of our professional groups? Then register now for this year's Professional Group Conference Days!

When: **29–30 September 2026**
Where: Dorint Kongresshotel Düsseldorf/Neuss (Selikumer Str. 25, 41460 Neuss)

Fachgruppen-Konferenztage 2026

Wissen. Vernetzen. Zukunft gestalten.

Participation is **free of charge** and comes with a **travel allowance** and **CPEs**. For further information and to register, please visit our website: [Specialist Group Conference Days | isaca.de](https://www.isaca.de/Specialist-Group-Conference-Days)

SheLeadsTech Conference 2026 in Munich

On **6 October 2026**, the day before the [ISACA Europe Conference 2026](#), the SheLeadsTech Conference will take place in **Munich** from 12:00 to 17:30 – in collaboration with the ISACA chapters in Austria and Switzerland.

Look forward to inspiration, discussion and networking on topics including IT, cybersecurity, governance and the visibility of women in the tech industry.

We are still looking for sponsors who would like to support the event.

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



PARTNER EVENTS

1SECURITY4WOMEN

Current developments in quantum technologies are bringing about far-reaching changes for businesses, the state and society. In times of global conflict, the threat posed by drones is growing – how can we address this?

On **19 November 2026**, the Cross-Company Event **#1SECURITY4WOMEN** will take place, focusing on precisely these changes.

Look forward to inspiring insights and discussions with high-profile speakers. Speakers will include, amongst others:

- [Barbara Kluge](#) (Federal Ministry of the Interior, Cyber and Information Security)
- [Thomas Tschersich](#) (CEO, Telekom Security)
- [Melanie Lange](#) (Vice President and Head of Cyber Security, Telekom Security Switzerland)
- [Rainer Simon](#) (Brigadier General in the German Armed Forces)



When: 19 November 2026, 9.30 am – 4.30 pm
Where: Telekom Campus Bonn, Landgrabenweg 151

👉 Don't want to miss out? Get in touch with [Anja Zalewski](#) and [Christine Rößler LL.M.](#) via direct message now, providing your email address to receive an invitation.

CAST events

Upcoming events organised by our partner CAST e. V.

- [Post-Quantum Cryptography \(PQC\)](#) on 27 August 2026
- [CAST IT Security Award 2026 \(Final\)](#) on 12 November 2026
- [25th International Conference of the Biometrics Special Interest Group \(BIOSIG 2026\)](#) on 25–26 November 2026



ISACA members receive a **25% discount** on registration fees and a **CPE certificate** upon completion.

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 'Training & Events'. For a quick overview, we recommend taking a look at our [seminar flyer](#).

Next 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 Examensvorbereitung: 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 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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