

State of the profession

VISION 2035

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WHAT IS OUR ROLE?

Poli-crisis?

Risks & uncertainty?

ARE WE FUTUREPROOF?

Strategic advisor?

Interdependencies?

Independence?







Internal Audit: **VISION 2035**

CREATING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER



Internal Audit
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Current Perception



54%

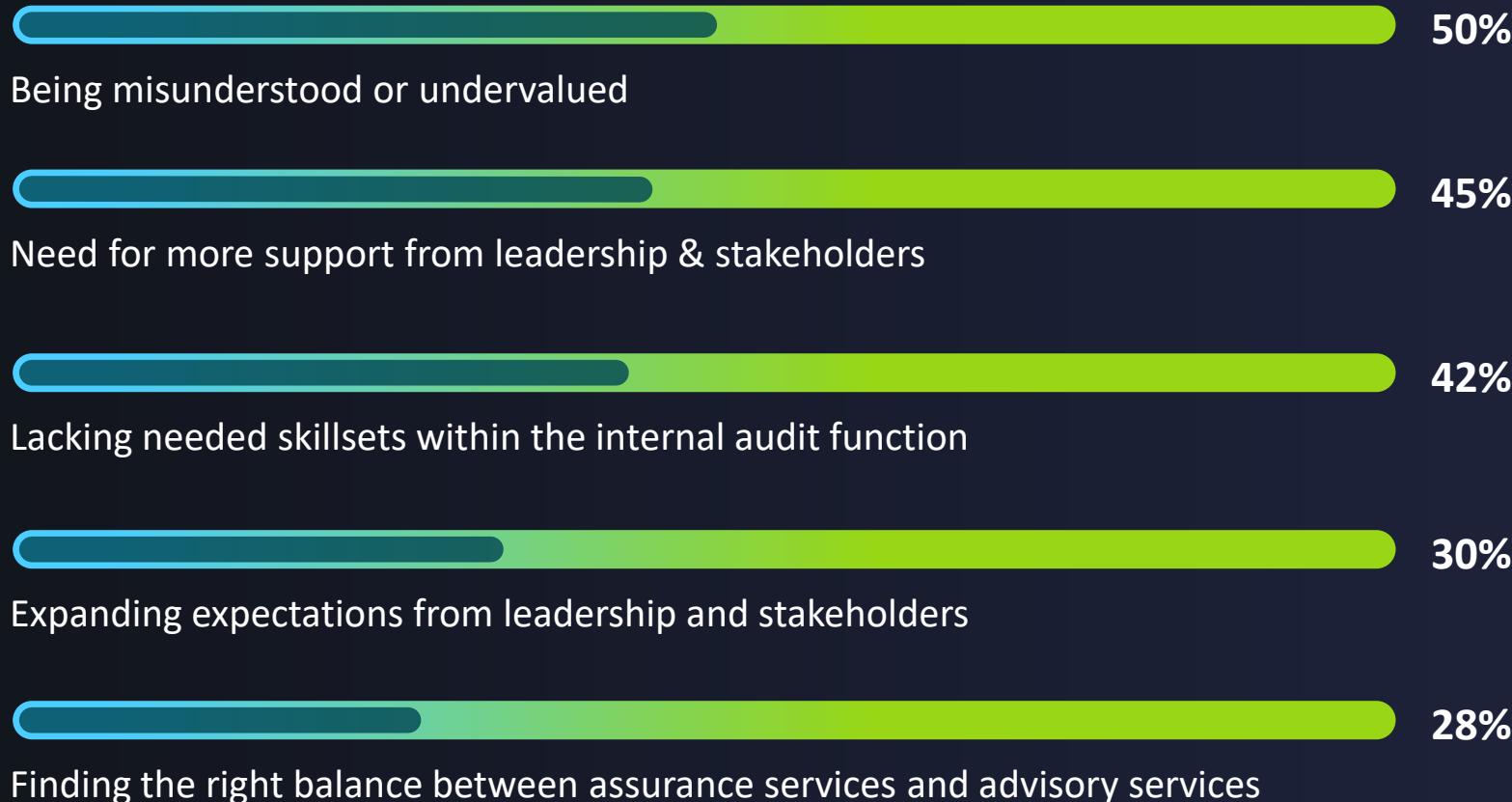
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51%

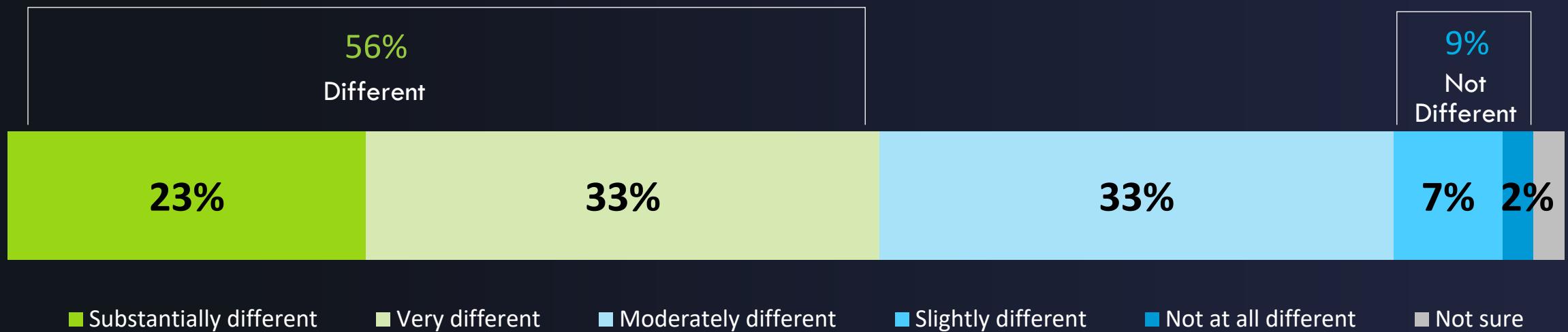
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Greatest Challenges Facing Internal Audit



Future of the Internal Audit Profession

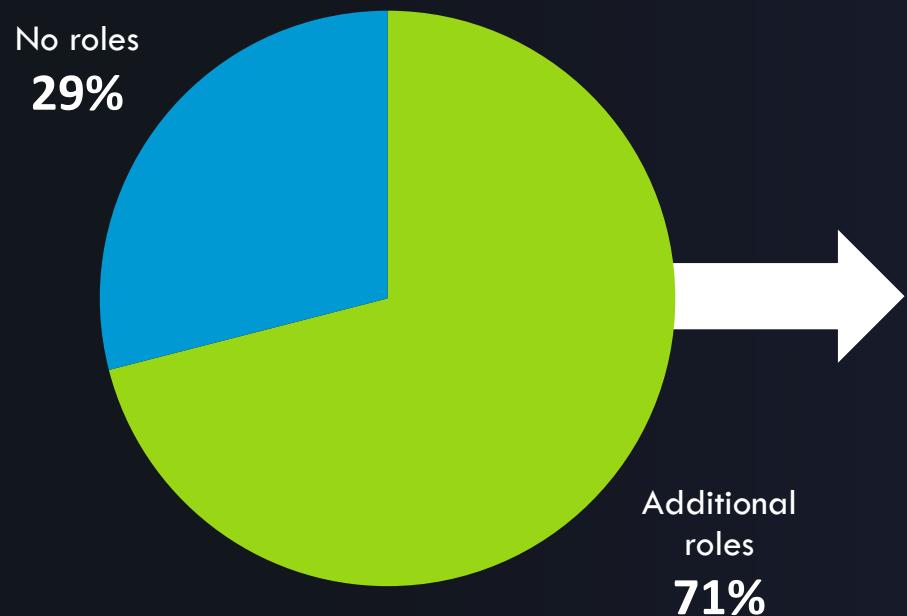
How Different Role of IA Will Be in 10 Years





CAE Roles are Already Expanding

71% of respondents have roles outside of Internal Audit





The IIA's Three Lines Model

The Three Lines are
already being

blurred



TRANSFORM NOW

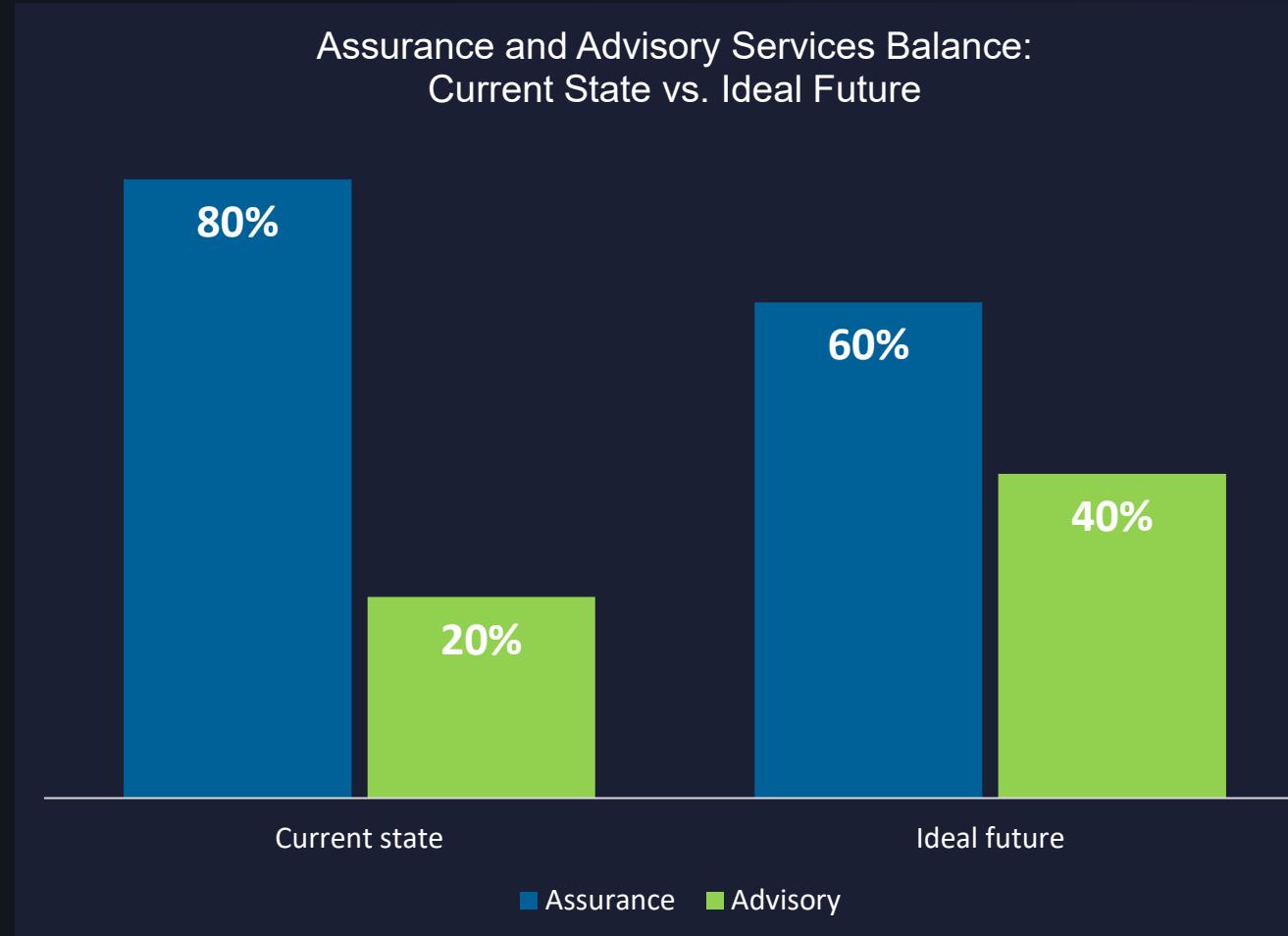
Or Risk Becoming Irrelevant by 2035



Work on perception



A New Era for Internal Audit: Aligning Assurance and Advisory



In an ideal future, CAEs say internal audit activity would be **60%** assurance and **40%** advisory



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Our Expanding Role in ERM

YEAR
2035

We Illuminate Risk
We Don't Manage It





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Go beyond assurance and compliance – expand our scope

Prepare for a future with a stronger advisory role

Play that vital role in the Risk ecosystem

Stakeholder Engagement



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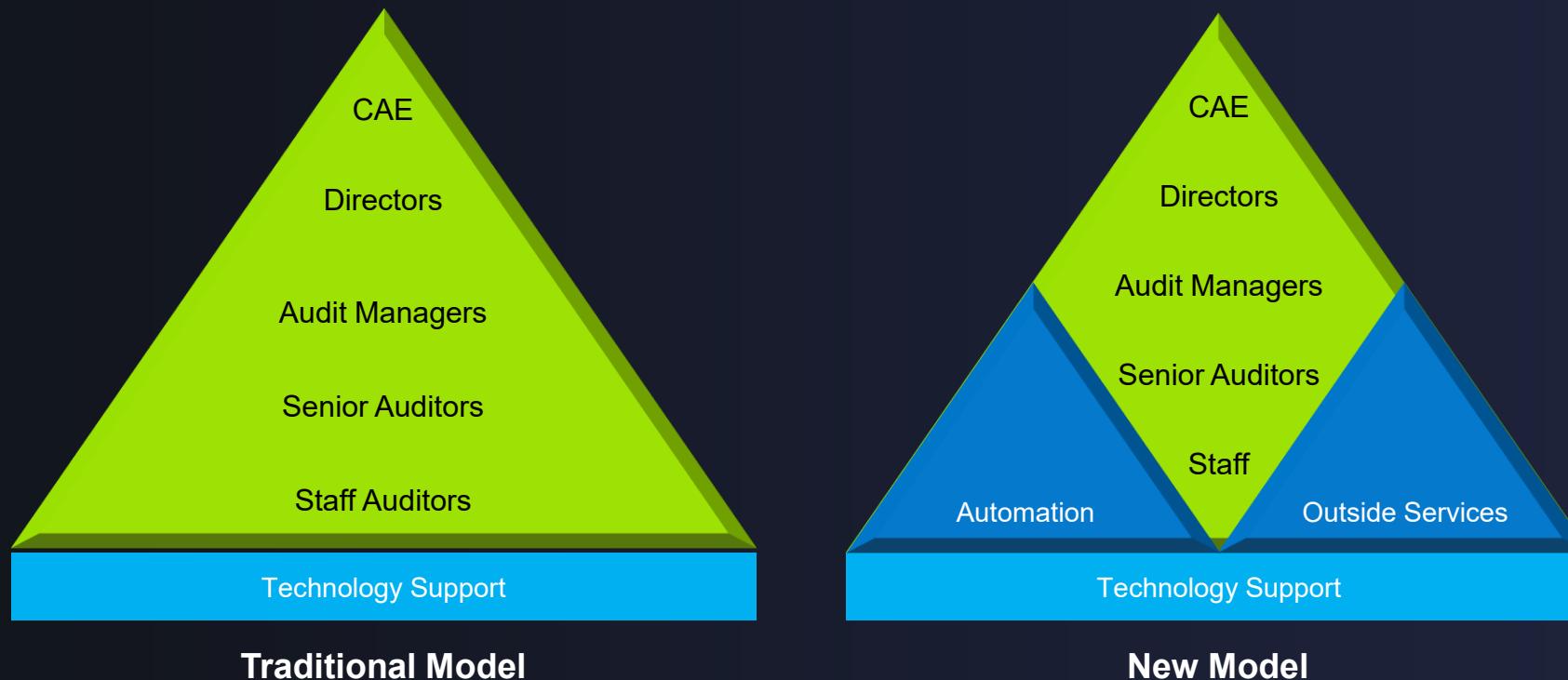
Stakeholder Engagement

Connect with strategy

IA Organizational Model

Moving to a New Organizational Model

As demand for qualified and experienced internal auditors outpaces supply, CAEs must shift how internal audit departments will conduct daily activities



IA Competency Framework



INTERNAL AUDITING Competency Framework



INTERNAL
AUDITING



PROFESSIONALISM



GOVERNANCE
& RISK



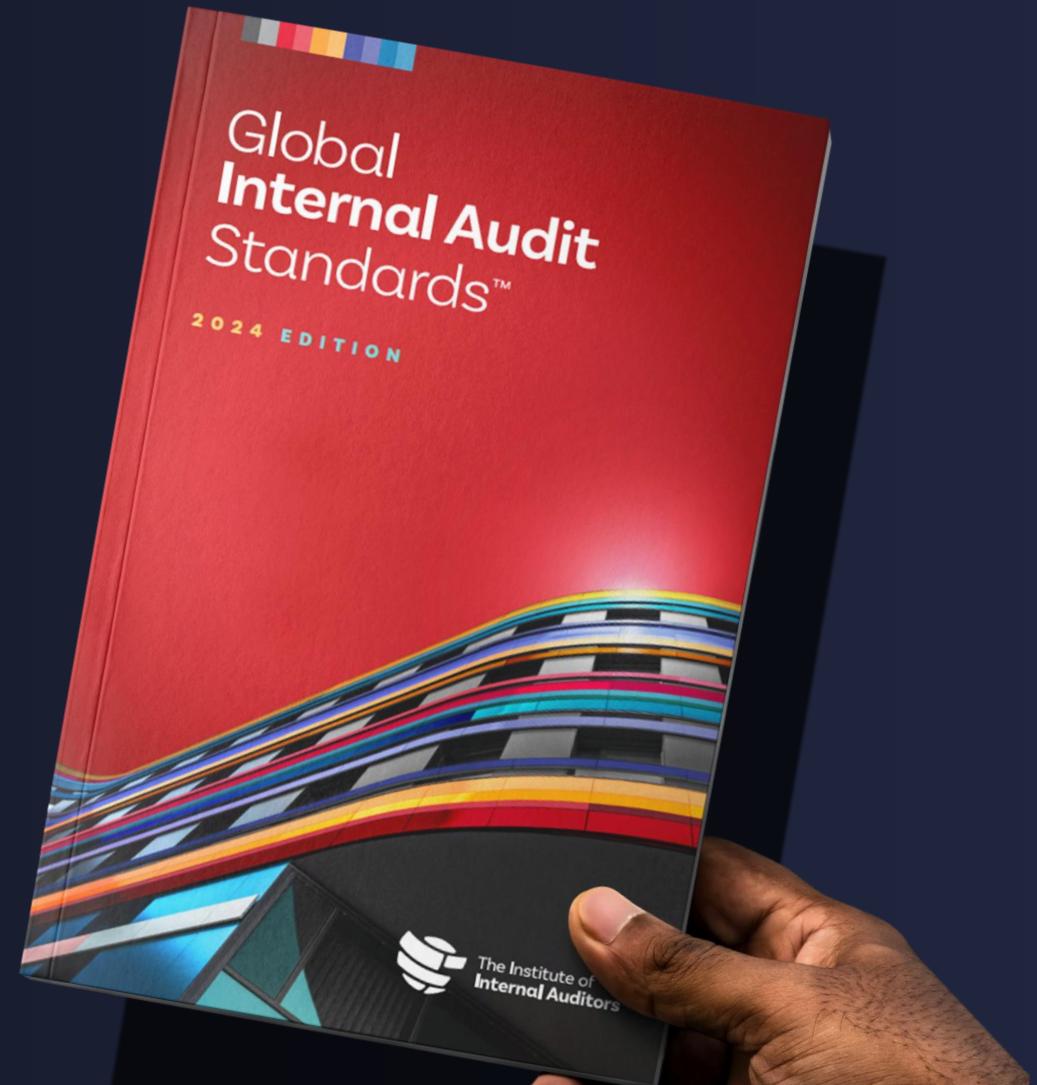
OPERATIONS

We Must Shift Current Perceptions of Internal Audit by
**BECOMING STRATEGIC ADVISORS &
FUTUREPROOF**



The Role of The IIA in Shifting Current Perceptions

-  Evolving our Standards
-  Producing insightful, actionable research
-  Advocating for the profession globally
-  Providing best-in-class tools and resources





Topical Requirements

Why We Need Topical Requirements

Topical Requirements are a systematic, disciplined approach to guide the scope of audit engagements to include governance, risk management, and control processes in specific risk areas.



Issued

- Cybersecurity (Effective February 5, 2026)
- Third-Party (Effective September 15, 2026)

Open Public Consultation

- Organizational Resilience (Comment by November 17, 2025)

Upcoming Release

- Organizational Behavior (Coming December 2025)

Other topics
Approved by Global
Guidance Council

- Anti-Corruption/Bribery
- People Management
- Fraud Risk Management
- Sustainability: ESG



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**Thank you for your
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