

***Higher performance by  
design – A blueprint for  
change***

**2014 State of the Internal  
Audit Profession Study  
May 2014**

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# ***Agenda***

- Setting the stage:
  - The 2014 research
  - Reintroduction of 8 foundational concepts
- Overall findings of PwC's 2014 State of the Internal Audit Profession study
- The Namibian perspective
- Questions and answers

# At a glance

- PwC's 10<sup>th</sup> Annual State of the Internal Audit Profession Study
- Over 1900 respondents, including 1400 CAEs including IA managers, and more than 520 stakeholders (Board and Audit Committee Members, CFOs, CROs, CCOs, etc.)
- Conducted over 125 stakeholder and CAE interviews across North America, Europe, Australia, and Asia to gain further insights
- Interviewed certain key regulators across the globe to understand their expectations of internal audit
- Survey focused on:
  - Understanding what is expected from internal audit for the purpose of identifying potential alignment issues;
  - Understanding stakeholder perceptions related to the value of Internal Audit
- SOTP  
PwC Understanding internal audit performance related to key attributes



# ***The heart of the matter***

## ***Higher performance by design: A blueprint for change***

### **This year's findings**

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- Significant differences of opinion exist between stakeholders and CAEs on the nature of what is expected of internal audit, i.e., a misalignment
- On average only 49% of senior management and 64% of board members believe internal audit is performing well at delivering on expectations
- More than 70% of senior management and 80% of board members believe internal audit adds value

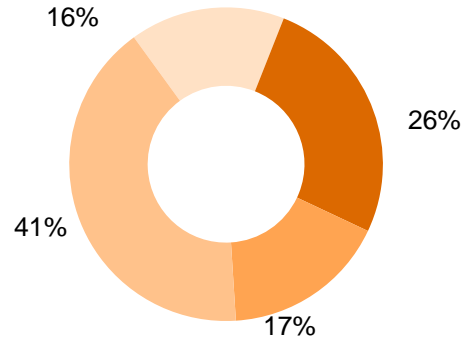
### **Leads to the following questions.....**

- Is your function aligned with the expectations of its key stakeholders? What capabilities to deliver what is expected of it?
- Is your function focused on the critical risks? Are you getting enough from your function? Our research shows that when more is expected, internal audit has the opportunity to add more value to the organization
- Higher expectations require increased capabilities and investment

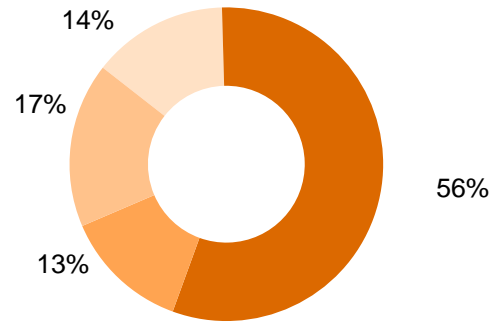
*Internal audit must be aligned with the expectations of its stakeholders in order to strategically build the right capabilities and raise its performance and value.*

# ***Expanding the expectation set***

**Stakeholder perceptions of internal audit departments with Assurance Provider expectations**

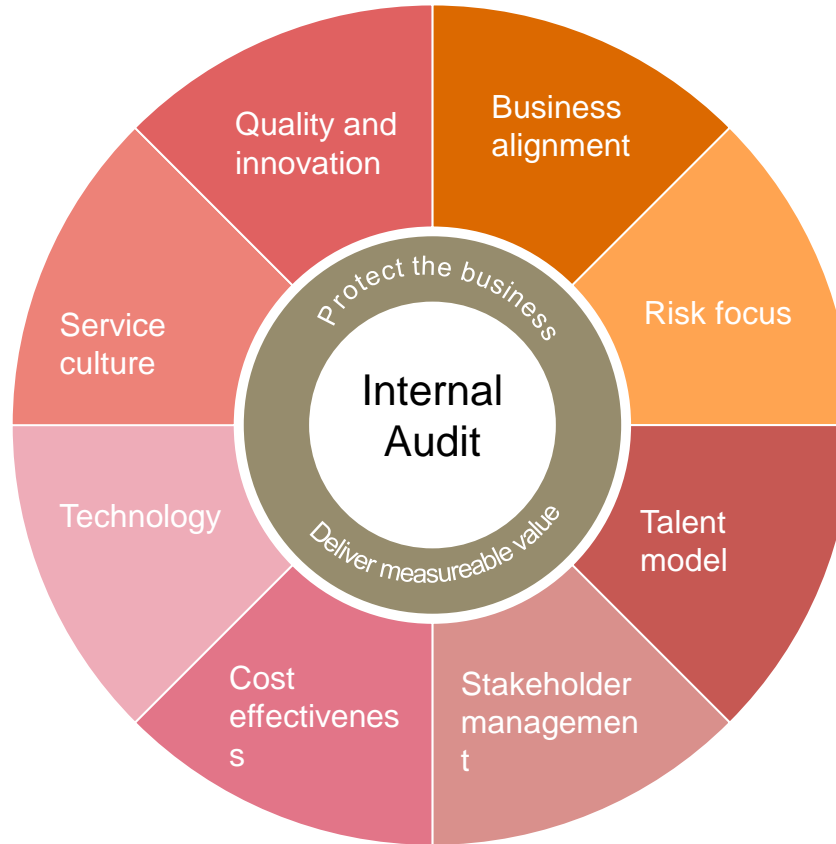


**Stakeholders perceptions of internal audit departments with Trusted Advisor expectations**



*Internal audit has the opportunity to drive greater value to the organization by expanding capabilities and skill sets, regardless of expectations/role.*

# ***Eight foundational attributes of internal audit***



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## ***The results of our research***

- The case for change
- Expanding the expectation set
- Developing an aligned set of expectations
- Developing the capabilities to deliver on expectations
- Internal Audit's communication strategy

# Case for change

## Value

Stakeholders have significantly different views of internal audit value

2013

*79% of board members see significant value, while only 44% of management do*

2014

*68% of board members see significant value, while only 45% of management do*

## Performance

Performance has shown improvement since the prior year but many functions are still challenged

*56% of the board ranks IA performance as strong, while 37% of management do*

*64% of the board ranks IA performance as strong, while 49% of management do \**

## Critical Risks

Companies are doing a better job at managing critical risks

*60% of the board members believe risks are well managed vs. 52% of management*

*80% of the board members believe risks are well managed vs. 66% of management*

**QAR -  
strategic**

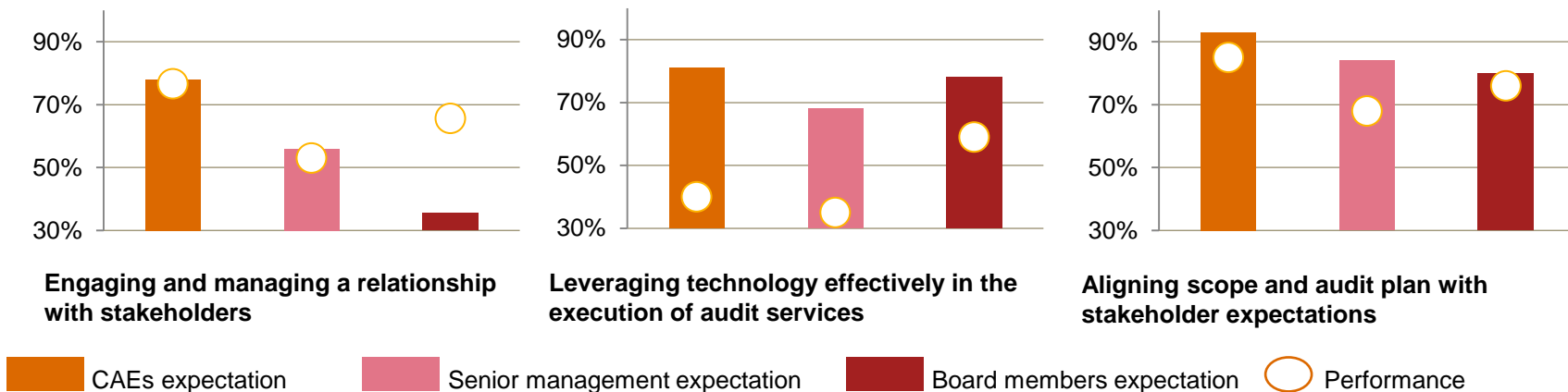
**QAR – IIA  
standards**

**ERM**

\* Represents the average of the “performs well” ratings across 18 capabilities vs. 8 capabilities in 2013



# The case for change

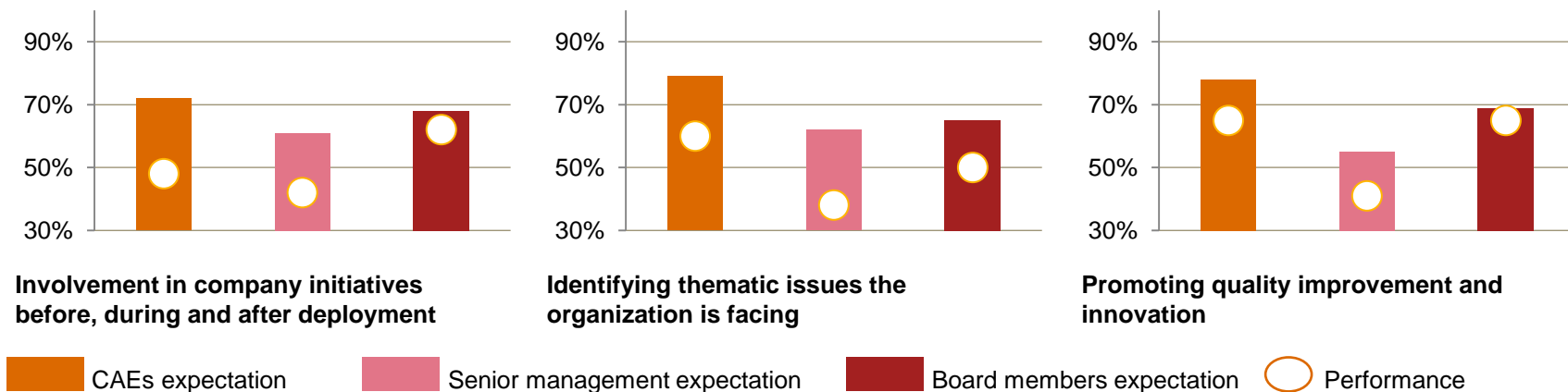


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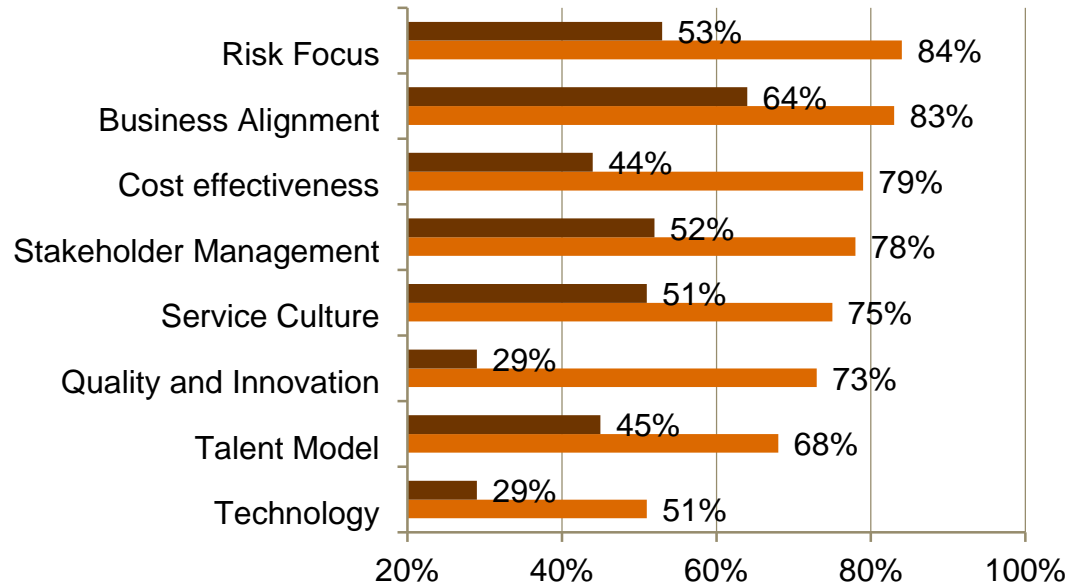


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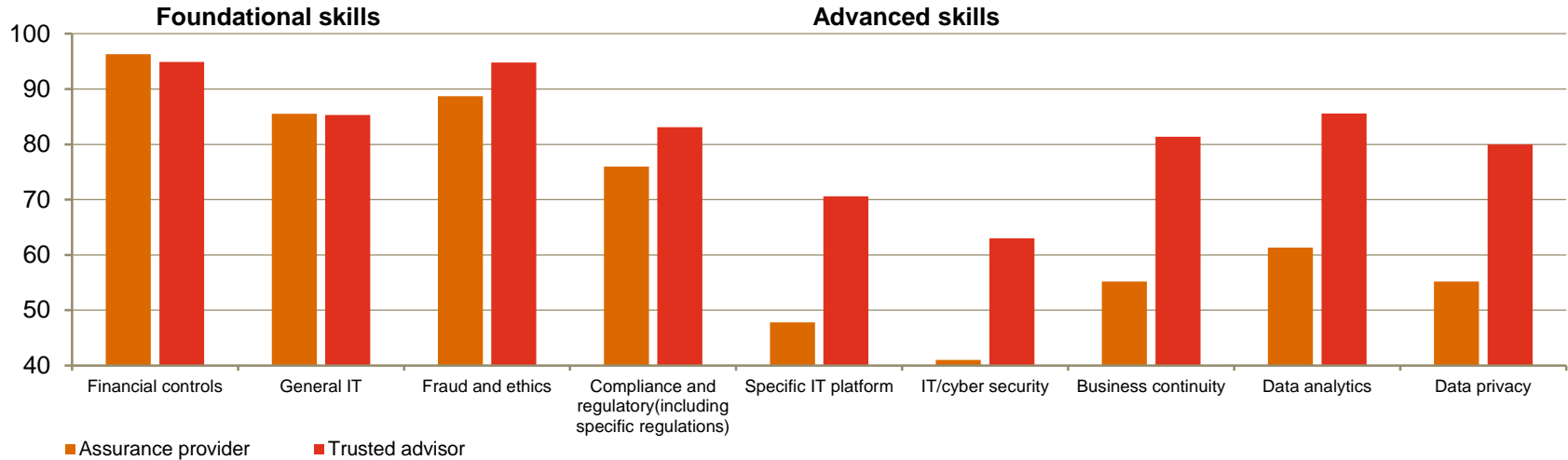
# ***Trusted advisors have higher performance on 8 foundational attributes***



*Expanded expectations and Alignment of stakeholder expectations creates an opportunity for Internal Audit to raise its performance and provide added value to the business.*

*Achieve alignment on the breath of expectations and critical risks is a significant step towards internal audit improving its relevance and value to the business.*

# ***Building the capabilities to deliver on expectations***



*Trusted advisors are performing at a significantly higher level because of the purposeful plan to obtain skill sets most valued by the organization.*

# ***Internal audit's communication strategy***

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Specific communication with audit committee chair and board on internal audit mandate                            | 77% |
| At least an annual discussion with key stakeholders to ensure internal audit's role is aligned with expectations | 73% |
| Hold a meeting between internal audit, management and board members to agree on expectations                     | 73% |
| Top-down communication with internal audit team members on expectations  | 71% |
| Specific communication with internal audit members on expectations   | 70% |
| Regular survey of stakeholders on internal audit's performance and adherences to stakeholder expectations        | 49% |
| Hold a meeting with external stakeholders such as regulators and external auditors to discuss expectations       | 45% |
| Post internal audit expectations on company's internal website   | 31% |

*CAE's of internal audit functions that are seen as trusted advisors are leveraging the tactics above to communicate across the organization to stay the course of alignment on expectations and delivering value.*

# ***Communicating performance and value***

## **Advanced metrics being used to measure internal audit performance:**

- Involvement and value provided in all key initiatives and emerging risk including new systems, acquisitions, dispositions, new products, new regulations, etc.
- Ability of internal audit to provide macro/horizontal views on key issues and areas of critical risk to the organization
- Ability of internal audit to be a “change agent” in the organization, that is, is the overall control environment improving year over year because of internal audit’s influence.
- Annual “voice of the customer survey”
- How well internal audit is able to answer questions from the Board and Management.
- Value of recommendations provided
- Cost savings and revenue enhancement based on internal audit recommendations and findings

***Trusted advisors are focused on communicating the value they bring to the organization through the recommendations they provide and their involvement in emerging issues rather than classic value measures such as successful completion of the audit plan.***

# ***Taking action***



## **CAE**

Lead The Design  
Pro-Active Communication

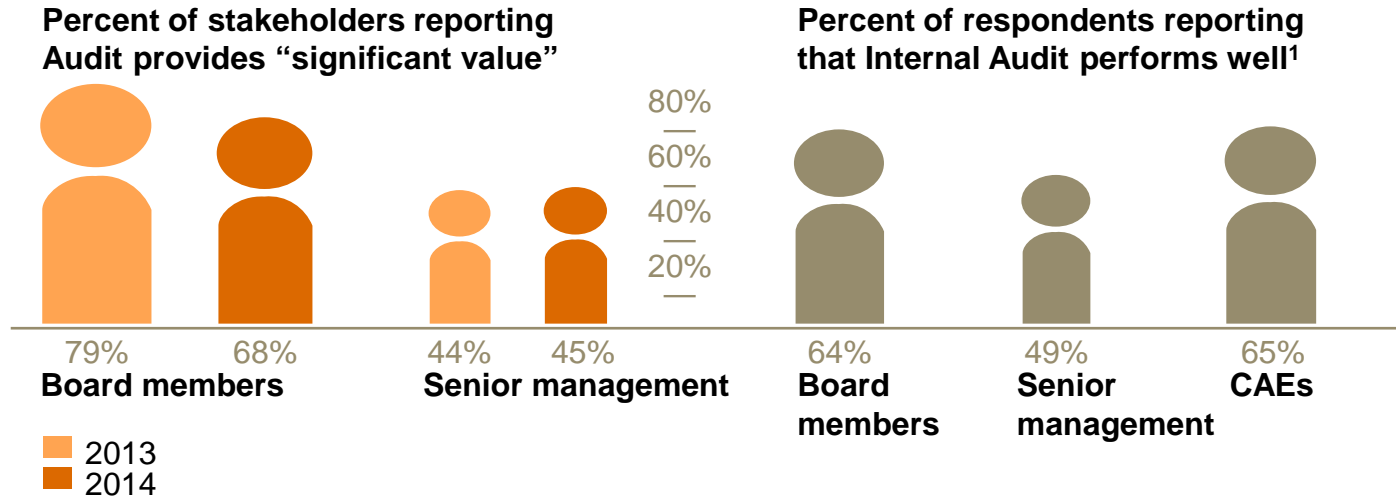
## **Board Members**

Pro-Active Input On The Design  
Facilitate alignment when needed  
Approve Design

## **Senior Management**

Active Participation in Design  
Support The Agreed Upon Design

# ***Board and management perception of value***



<sup>1</sup>Represents the average of the “performs well” ratings across 18 capabilities



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## ***Namibian context***

- IIA membership

|                                  | Namibia | SA          |
|----------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| • Population                     | 2,2m    | 49m         |
| • CIA                            | 27      | 5000??      |
| • Members                        | 200     | 1800??      |
| • Population per members         | 11,000  | 4,900       |
| • Status of PIA/GIA learnerships | ??      | Established |

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# ***Namibian feedback***

- The regulator/s
- Great expectations?
  - Controls, Risk, Governance
  - Fraud
- Is excel enough?
- Independence
- Pro-active
- Namcode
- Think-tank vs do-tank

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# ***Namibian contributions***

- Relationships & word of mouth
- Identifying red flags – early warning
- Love vs respect
- Understanding the business
- Common understanding
- Transparency
- Streamlined reporting

# ***Risk in Review***

Re-evaluating how your  
company addresses risk

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# ***Agenda***

- New risks, new opportunities
- Sweeping market and business change translates to increasing risk
- Risk imperatives for 2014
- Questions

# At a glance

- Eurozone emerged from recession
- GDP in US slowed to 1.9% growth (from 2.8% in 2012)
- Growth amongst the BRICs cooled
- Collapse of the Rana Plaza garment factory in Bangladesh made conditions for workers in developing countries a major public issue

*PwC conducted its fourth annual risk survey in the fall of 2013, polling **1,940** executives across **37** countries to seek a detailed picture of the state of risk in today's business climate. This study presents key findings and insights from that survey, as well as from a series of related, in-depth executive interviews.*



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# ***The shift***

Over the next 18 months, executives in our survey expect ongoing market changes will effect their firms in 3 key areas:

- Technological change and related IT risks
- Increasing regulatory complexity and
- Rapidly changing customer needs

75% of executives report that risks to their businesses are increasing and these shifts are opening capability gaps in risk management, particularly around data management, business strategy, and technology.

Expected progress toward greater risk maturity in four areas:

- Aligning business and risk strategy
- Adopting and applying risk appetite statements
- Managing stakeholder expectations
- Improving risk monitoring and reporting

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# ***Levels of risk management maturity***

- Analysis identified 3 levels of risk management maturity:
  - Early stage organisations – these companies must put the basic elements of risk management in place, de-siloing risk process by extending them across the organisation.
  - Developing organisation – these organisations must link business and risk strategy, consolidate risk reporting, and build an organisation-wide risk culture.
  - Risk leaders – companies with the most mature risk management systems must put in place regular review, evaluation, and updating of their processes, incentives and risk culture.



# ***In depth discussion***

## External change drivers:

**Figure 1: Technology and regulation are the biggest external change drivers**

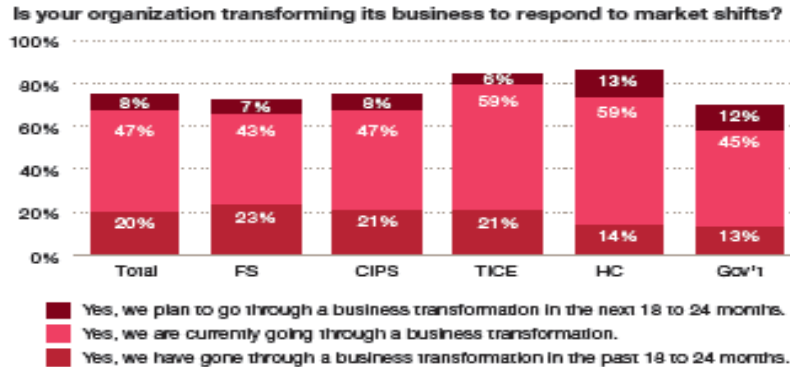
| In your view, which of the following external drivers of change will have the biggest impact over the next 18 months on your organization? |       |     |      |      |     |       |
|--|-------|-----|------|------|-----|-------|
|  | Total | FS  | CIPS | TICE | HC  | Gov't |
| Technological change and IT risks  | 58%   | 64% | 49%  | 71%  | 58% | 67%   |
| Increasing regulatory complexity and scrutiny  | 56%   | 78% | 48%  | 42%  | 71% | 28%   |
| Changing customer needs/behavior   | 50%   | 43% | 51%  | 70%  | 57% | 35%   |
| Government policy changes (fiscal and monetary policy, etc.)   | 42%   | 43% | 37%  | 29%  | 60% | 64%   |
| Global economic shifts and uncertainty   | 42%   | 41% | 48%  | 41%  | 15% | 33%   |

*Note: FS = financial services; CIPS = consumer and industrial products and services; TICE = technology, information, communications, and entertainment; HC = healthcare; and Gov't = government agencies*

# *In depth discussion*

In response to these powerful shifts in the market, organisations in all sectors are undertaking dramatic business transformations, altering their strategies and driving radical change.

**Figure 2: Business transformation sweeps all sectors**



Note: Excludes "No" and "Don't know" responses

FS = financial services; CIPS = consumer and industrial products and services; TICE = technology, information, communications, and entertainment; HC = healthcare; and Gov't = government agencies

# In depth discussion

- Internal drivers

**Figure 3: Business transformation is the dominant internal change driver**

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|--|-------|-----|------|------|-----|-------|
|  | Total | FS  | CIPS | TICE | HC  | Gov't |
| Business transformation / change management initiatives  | 71%   | 70% | 49%  | 67%  | 77% | 78%   |
| Growing reliance on technology and IT systems  | 59%   | 63% | 54%  | 55%  | 58% | 66%   |
| Innovation around products, services, and business models  | 52%   | 57% | 51%  | 66%  | 53% | 44%   |
| Changes in talent, staffing, and resources   | 38%   | 37% | 37%  | 30%  | 36% | 53%   |
| Mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures  | 32%   | 28% | 39%  | 41%  | 43% | 6%    |

*Note: includes top five responses*

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# ***External shifts + Internal change = capability gaps and heightened risk exposure***

Our survey identified the top 3 gaps relate to the effects of fast-moving internal change:

- Fragmented risk data and analysis
- Gaps arising directly from business transformation initiatives and
- Cyber security gaps.

## ***Creating a risk aware culture to address capability gaps and non-traditional risks***

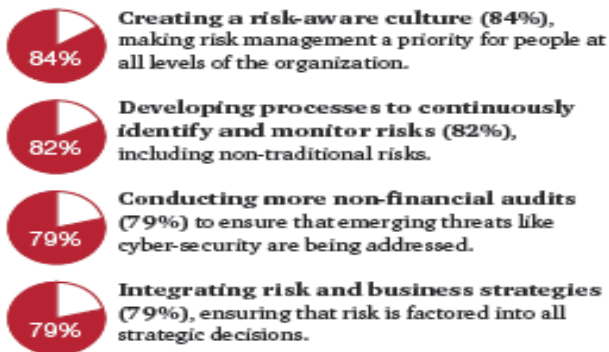
Improving competencies is an important step in closing capability gaps, organisations are making broader changes across 3 areas:

- People and culture
- Strategy and vision
- Process, systems and technology

The objective is to embed risk awareness across the organisation, improve processes to monitor risk and increase companies' attention on non-traditional risks.

# Top-ranking changes

Survey respondents have made or plan to make the following changes over the next 18 months:



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## ***Collaboration and communication***

Miscommunication between the **management/ board level and risk/compliance** exacerbates capability gaps

Our survey revealed a sharp disconnect between management/board level and the risk/compliance functions. They seem to disagree on type and degree of key risks facing the company and the organisations capabilities.

Management devotes more attention to strategic issues such as global economic shifts and uncertainty, while risk and compliance direct their attention to day-to-day risks such as the velocity of change in the business environment.

Despite improvements, collaboration among **the lines of defense** (business units, risk and compliance and internal audit) still requires optimisation to prevent exposure due to capability gaps.

# ***Risk imperatives for 2014 – what this means for your business***

Aim of risk management: sustainability (making sure the odds favour the company's survival) and the ability to capitalise on change. This means continuing to look forward and becoming ever more sensitive to the complex interplay of risk and opportunity.

What should organisations in their different stages do?

Early-stage

Developing

Risk Leader

Important to remember that even for risk leaders,  
the journey to higher levels of capability  
never ends.

“You need to change with the times and evolve to take advantage of what technology can do to support the business and mitigate risk.”

– Pat Roche, VP,  
Information Technology  
Solutions, C. R. Bard

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## *Questions*

Thank you.



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