

**AUDIENCE: QIAL Certified Individuals**

Dear <INSERT NAME HERE>

The IIA is committed to providing a clearly defined global certifications pathway to support internal auditors as they progress through their careers. We applaud your commitment to advancing your career in internal auditing through QIAL qualification, and we want to share with you important developments regarding this qualification.

Facing several ongoing challenges related to the QIAL program, the IIA conducted a global market study and sought input about the QIAL program and the internal audit leadership development program. The resounding conclusion of this research is that we must focus on the Certified Internal Auditor® (CIA®) as our profession's essential certification. As a result, the Global Board approved a resolution to discontinue the QIAL®.

We recognize your efforts in earning the QIAL and want to **ensure you that this qualification remains valid and will continue to be supported and recognized by The IIA.** As always, you can continue to maintain and use this designation by earning and reporting the required continuing professional education (CPE) hours annually.

If you have questions about the QIAL, please submit a case through CCMS system. The IIA Certification Team is also available to answer questions.

The IIA is committed to providing dynamic leadership to the global profession of internal auditing and exceptional service to our members and distinguished certification holders. We look forward to continuing to serve you throughout your professional career.

Sincerely,

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