

Audit Interactive

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EMOTION MEETS AI

Artificial Intelligence became a part of our lives now

However,

we must not forget the fundamental human element

Emotional Intelligence



What is Truth?

Truth is the property of being in accord with fact or reality



What is Truth?

As Internal Auditors we seek the truth but GenAI is a disturber











Which one is Al Generated?























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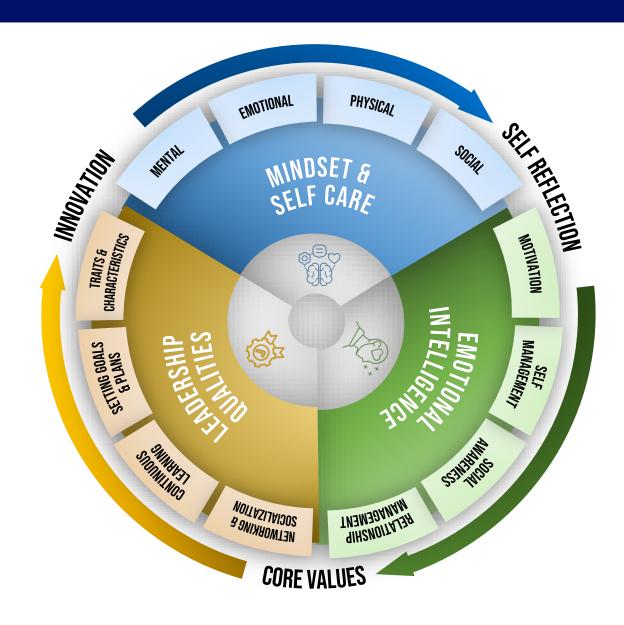








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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Assess the impact of Emotional Intelligence (EQ) in the Alera:

✓ By the end of the course, students should be able to evaluate the role of EQ in shaping human responses an in Al-driven contexts, emphasizing its strategic importance in modern technological environments.



2

Analyze the role of EQ in enhancing human –AI interactions and decision-making:

✓ Students will be able to critically examine how EQ influences the effectiveness of human-AI collaborations, leading to improved decision-making and interaction quality.



3

Appy EQ principles to audit processes for improved outcomes:

✓ Be applying Leadership MEQ framework, students will explore strategies to enhance audit effectiveness, focusing on empathy, situational awareness, and adaptive communication skills in audit scenarios.



Poll Question

To what extent do you believe Emotional Intelligence (EQ) improves decision-making in environments where humans and AI systems interact?

Greatly improves
Moderately improves
Slightly improves
Does not improve



WHAT IS EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE (EQ)?

Definition

Emotional Intelligence, often abbreviated as **EQ**, refers to the ability to recognize, understand, manage, and utilize our own emotions and those of others in a productive and empathetic manner.



WHAT IS EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE (EQ)?

The Goleman Model

Self-Awareness





Social Awareness

Self-Management





Relationship Management



Understanding Leadership MEQ

Emotional Intelligence





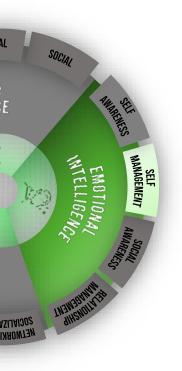




Self-Awareness

Recognizing one's emotions and their impact on thoughts, motivation and behavior.







Self Management

Managing and controlling emotions and reactions effectively.







Social Awareness

Key to empathy, effective communication, and proactive conflict resolution in dynamic team environments.







Relationship Management

Building positive relationships, effective communication, and conflict resolution.



EXERCISE: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Objective

Encourage active listening, enhance communication skills, and build rapport among participants.

Duration 10 minutes



EXERCISE: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Steps

- 1. Turn to the person next to you and share your favorite animal and why you like it.
- 2. Also, ask your partner to share their favorite piece of clothing and why they like it.



EXERCISE: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Countdown

10 Minutes



Poll Question

Which aspect of Emotional Intelligence do you believe is most critical to develop for effectively working with AI?

Self-awareness – understanding one's own emotions

Self-regulation – managing one's own emotions

Social skills – managing relationships

Empathy – understanding others' emotions





AI & Auditing:

How many of you are using Al In your audits?

What is Emotional intelligence (EQ)?

94%

of business leaders believe Al will be critical to their organizations' success over the next five years.

> Deloitte - State of Al in the Enterprise, 5th Edition



Risks of GenAl



Lack of Transparency



Data Privacy

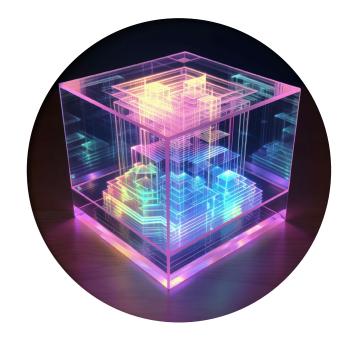


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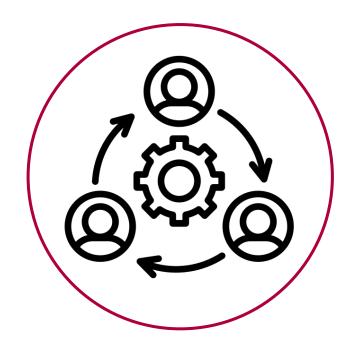


Weak Cybersecurity





Lack of Transparency



Relationship Management





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Self-Awareness





Enhancing Data Governance **Selfot Avparirency**s



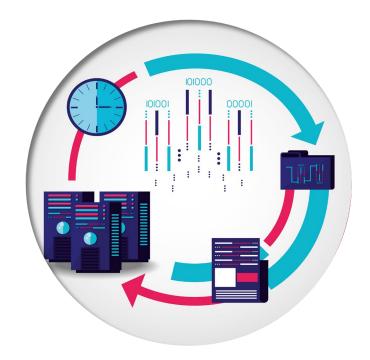






Self-Management





Improving Data Processing Low Accuracy



EQ's Role in Audits in the AI ERA How can EQ manage the risks of AI in Audit?



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Social Awareness



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Strengthening Threat Detection



EXERCISE: TRUTH OR LIE

Objective

Participants will sharpen their critical thinking skills and learn to identify cues that indicate whether a story is true or fabricated.

Duration 10 minutes



EXERCISE: TRUTH OR LIE



- Find a partner.
- One partner tells a short story.
- The other listens and guesses if it's true or false.
- The listener shares their guess.
- Partners discuss clues that helped them decide.



EXERCISE: TRUTH OR LIE

Countdown

10 Minutes



POLICY AND PROCEDURE - POLICY SCREENSHOT

Step #1: Remove proprietary company information from policies and procedures and upload to GenAI.

c. ABANDONED PROPERTY

Abandoned property (unclaimed funds or escheat) includes checks written that have not been deposited for one year or longer depending upon each State's regulations. Accounting ensures that identified unclaimed funds are remitted to appropriate State agencies on a timely basis.

- Periodically, Accounting, in coordination with the Payroll Manager, the A/P Manager and the Director of Student Finances/Bursar reviews outstanding checks to determine what items may need to be moved to an unclaimed liability account and to be filed with appropriate State agencies that hold unclaimed funds.
- Prior to the applicable reporting the unclaimed property, written notices are sent to each person appearing to be the owner of unclaimed property.
- If the abandoned property remains unclaimed, unclaimed funds are remitted to the appropriate State agency.
- 4. If an owner of unclaimed funds responds that they are owed the money prior to sending money to the State, ABC will remit the funds to the owner, and General Accounting will update the outstanding check list and remove the item from the unclaimed list.



POLICY AND PROCEDURE - GENAI PROMPT

"Identify any gaps in the procedures"



POLICY AND PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GAPS

Step #2: Prompt GenAI to produce the list of control gaps

Here are some gaps identified in the procedures:

- Frequency and Timeline for Reviews: It specifies that reviews of outstanding checks are done
 "periodically," but lacks a defined frequency (e.g., monthly, quarterly, annually) and timelines for
 each step. A set schedule would ensure consistent, timely review and remittance.
- Documentation and Record-Keeping: There's no mention of how records of each review, notices sent, or responses received are documented. Formal record-keeping guidelines would improve tracking, accountability, and audit readiness.
- Clear Responsibility and Accountability: Although multiple roles are listed (Payroll Manager, A/P Manager, etc.), it's unclear who leads the process and who has final accountability for each step, especially if discrepancies arise.
- 4. Escalation Process: There's no escalation process in case of non-responsiveness from individuals or if there's a dispute regarding ownership before remittance. Adding escalation procedures can clarify actions if issues occur.



GENAI: KEY CONTROLS

"Provide test procedures for the identified key controls"



Planning: **GENAI: KEY CONTROLS**

Step #2: GenAI creates the key controls

1. Regular Review of Outstanding Checks:

- Control: Accounting, in coordination with the Payroll Manager, A/P Manager, and Director
 of Student Finances/Bursar, periodically reviews outstanding checks to identify unclaimed
 funds.
- Purpose: Ensures that unclaimed funds are identified accurately and moved to the unclaimed liability account for timely remittance.

2. Written Notification to Property Owners:

- Control: Prior to reporting unclaimed property, written notices are sent to individuals appearing as property owners.
- Purpose: This control helps verify that property owners are aware of their unclaimed funds,
 reducing the likelihood of sending funds to the State when the owner is reachable.



Planning: DOCUMENT REQUEST LIST: GENAI PROMPT

"Provide document request list for the identified test procedures"



Solutions & Modernized Auditing: GENAI: DOCUMENT REQUEST LIST

Step #4: GenAl creates the document request list

1. Regular Review of Outstanding Checks

- Document Requests:
 - Schedule and frequency documentation for the reviews of outstanding checks (e.g., policy documents or review schedules).
 - Copies of review logs, reports, or meeting minutes documenting each department's review of outstanding checks for a sample period.
 - Evidence showing that identified unclaimed funds were moved to the unclaimed liability account, such as journal entries or account transaction reports.
 - Contact information for personnel responsible for the review process for potential interviews.



Example of a one-page **AUDIT REPORT**



Construction Contract Management Audit

Executive Owner* & Key Stakeholders John Adams, VP Constructions*

Mike Brown **Jack Charles**

Engagement Drivers

- A store remodel exceeded the budget by 15%, with payments made for incomplete work.
- Key deadlines were missed, and undocumented change orders caused delays

Engagement Objectives

- Compliance and Cost Control: Ensure adherence to contract terms, budgets, and timelines while managing costs effectively.
- 2. Risk and Performance Management: Assess risk mitigation, contractor performance, and change order processes for efficient project execution.

Key Risks

- Payment Errors: Contractors or vendors may receive overpayments or payments for incomplete work, causing budget overruns.
- Unauthorized Access: Unnecessary digital access for employees or vendors increases fraud risk.
- Vendor Non-Compliance: Vendors may engage in unethical practices, exposing ABC to legal and
- Procore Implementation: Inadequate controls or training in the new Procore system may lead to inefficiencies and security issues.

Engagement Approach

IA assessed the design effectiveness of Procore's Construction Contract Management process, reviewing operational and technology controls for contract setup/approval, change orders, and invoice payment/approval.

Conclusion: Needs Improvement

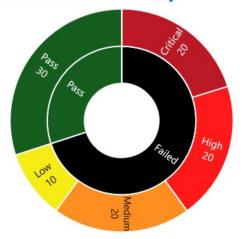
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- Integrate XX with SAP to automate Lead/Prime contract selection, reducing the risk of conflicting
- Prioritize migrating QRS projects into XX to mitigate risks from continued use of QRS.
- Leverage data analytics for risk mitigation, continuous monitoring, and impact calculation of key risk areas.

Engagement Scope

Our engagement included a review of XX training design, QQ technologies, and the XX migration strategy for the fiscal year 25-26

Observation Summary







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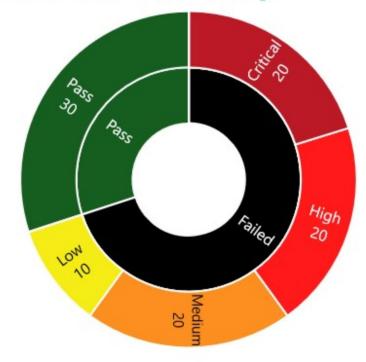
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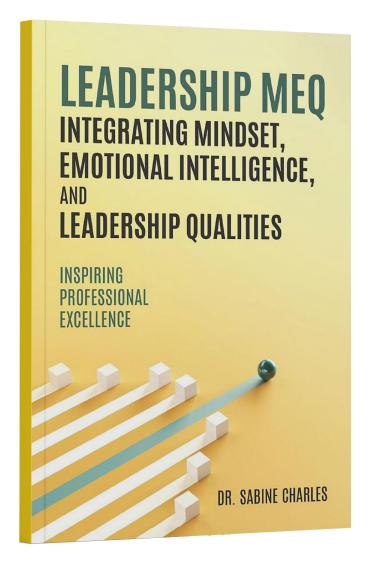
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Unlock the keys to unparalleled leadership with 'Leadership' MEQ'

Integrating Mindset, Emotional Intelligence, and Leadership Qualities









'Leadership MEQ' Workbook

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EQi 2.0 **Assessment** Only





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- Customized Coaching

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- Leadership 2 Sessions
- Emotional Intelligence 3 Sessions





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QUESTION & ANSWER







Thank You

"AI may analyze the data, but it's the emotional intelligence of internal auditors that interprets the story behind the numbers"

- Dr. Sabine Charles







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