



Dear all,

On behalf of the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of the Institute of Internal Auditors – Montreal Chapter (“IAIM”), I would like to extend my warmest wishes for the 2025 holiday season.

The year 2025 has been truly special. As we bring to a close a milestone year for IAIM, allow me to reflect on some of the key moments that have shaped this anniversary year we had the pleasure of celebrating together.

Our gala marking the 80th anniversary of IAIM, under the theme “80 Years of Impact, Rigor and Excellence,” brought together a record number of participants from all sectors. This event, a true highlight of our year, showcased the vitality of our professional community, the continued confidence of our sponsors, and above all, the unwavering commitment of our members and volunteers.

The warm atmosphere, the richness of the discussions, and the active participation of our panelists and recognized members all demonstrated the strength of our network and the strategic importance of the internal audit function within organizations. For those who remain nostalgic, you can relive some of the gala’s key moments by watching the following video: [watch the video](#).

This success also reflects the remarkable work of the coordination team, our volunteers, and our partners, whom I would like to thank most sincerely. Beyond this memorable evening, IAIM reached several important milestones throughout the year. We reaffirmed our mission, defined a new vision, and adopted a strategic plan for the next three years. We also continued to enhance our governance practices in order to better respond to current and emerging challenges.

We strengthened our training offer and enriched our professional development programs. These efforts are meant to support you in a rapidly changing environment. For example, we have launched a new knowledge-sharing community on artificial intelligence to better support our organizations in their digital transformation. More broadly, we succeeded in bringing together more than 2,500 participants over nearly 100 training sessions and events.

We are also very proud to have received, for the fifth time, the Sapphire Award granted by the IIA, which recognizes chapter performance based on actions aligned with the North American strategic plan, notably in the areas of professional programming, certification, and promotion of the profession. The Institute intends to continue acting as a leading catalyst to accompany you through these changes and to provide concrete tools to internal audit professionals.

As we stand on the threshold of a new year, we wish to express our deep gratitude to each and every one of you. Your active participation, your ideas, and your collective commitment are at the heart of our success. Together, we will continue to advance the profession and reinforce the strategic role of internal audit within organizations.

Thank you all for your trust and support.

François Petillot, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Institute of Internal Auditors – Montreal Chapter.