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Background

James is Director and Head of Business Risk Services at Grant Thornton Cayman Islands. He is a qualified Chartered Internal Auditor and PRINCE2 Project Manager.

James' career has included roles in industry and within regulators, before he joined advisory consultancy, where he has experience leading Internal Audit services.

Experience

Before transferring to internal audit, James built his career as an investigator in insurance services for the Law Society of England & Wales. Qualifying as a Chartered Internal Auditor, he oversaw the assurance programme of the £7bn UK National Lottery operator, Camelot, on behalf of the UK regulator, the Gambling Commission.

James has managed large multi-discipline, multi-regional internal audit teams, leading corporate governance, risk management frameworks, and business continuity projects. His MSc dissertation was a reflection on the adoption and adaption of the Institute of Internal Audit's Three Lines of Defence model, the good practice standard in global assurance.

Industry experience

James has delivered engagements for clients that range in size and scope, from PLCs and other forms of listed business, to large Ltd limited, and privately owned companies. His sector experience includes financial services, fintech, retail, and health.

James has also managed fully outsourced and co-sourced internal audit plans for clients in the public sector, including education and charities.

Professional qualifications and memberships

- Masters in Audit Management and Consultancy (MSc, Distinction), Birmingham City University, UK
- Chartered Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors
- Certified Internal Auditor, UK
- PRINCE2 Practitioner and Agile Project Manager