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ACCA Washington DC Chapter Event – February 20, 2024

Program Title	The Impact of AI on the Accounting and Compliance Professions
Location	Online
Date	February 20, 2024
Start Time	12:00 PM ET
End Time	1:30 PM ET
Program Information	
Program Description	**Takele G. Haile**, ACCA Washington DC Chapter Head, and **Mihnea Rotariu**, Deputy Chapter Head invite all ACCA members and future members to attend an upcoming webinar on The Impact of AI on the Accounting and Compliance Professions where our panelists will have discussions on the intersection of Artificial Intelligence (AI) with the fields of accounting and compliance; it is an essential session for professionals eager to understand how AI is revolutionizing these sectors. Special Guests – all members of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) - Montgomery/Prince George's County Chapter. In this webinar, we will be discussing:
Learning Objectives	Participants will learn and understand: ○ The latest AI technologies are transforming accounting practices. ○ AI's significant role in streamlining compliance and regulatory processes. ○ The ethical considerations and challenges posed by AI in the financial industry.
Discussion Topics	Specifically, this event will discuss: ○ Understanding the Basics of AI in Accounting and Compliance ○ Exploring Real-World Applications of AI in the Profession ○ Discussing Ethical and Integrity Considerations in AI Implementation ○ Identifying Future Trends and Developments in AI for Accounting and Compliance ○ Fostering Critical Thinking About AI's Impact on the Profession
Delivery Options	Group Internet Based
CPE Credit	1.5 CPE in Information Technology
Program Schedule	Agenda Welcome and House Rules Moderated Panel Discussion Audience Q&A CPE Conclusion
Program Level	All levels
Prerequisites	None
Advanced Preparation	None

Who should attend	Open to all accountants, compliance and finance professionals, including ACCAs, CMAs, CPAs, etc
Course Registration Link	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2911911847268301912
Attendance Policy	To receive 1.5 CPE credits, you must attend for at least 75 minutes of the personal development session and complete all the polling questions.
Meeting Policies	The meeting is free of charge. However if you register and have to cancel, cancellations must be sent by email to ACCA North America 48 hours prior to the meeting. Also, if you have a complaint, please e-mail Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) North America, north.america@accaglobal.com.
Questions	If you have any questions, please email us at north.america@accaglobal.com.
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Speakers	
Moderator	**Mihnea Sebastian Rotariu, FCCA, CFE, CAMS** ACCA Washington, D.C. Deputy Chapter Head Mihnea serves as the Deputy Chapter Head of ACCA's Washington D.C. Chapter. With over 15 years of leadership experience, Mihnea specializes in bribery and corruption, forensic accounting review and investigations, third-party risk management, regulatory compliance, financial crimes, and due diligence. His expertise covers a range of industries, including healthcare, life sciences, industrial products, and financial services. Mihnea's most recent role was as the Compliance Director at Lextegrity, a software company dedicated to pioneering compliance solutions. In this role, he was instrumental in crafting tools for transaction monitoring and third-party risk management. Leveraging his extensive background in bribery, corruption, and regulatory compliance, Mihnea led the development of innovative analytics solutions that empower organizations to address compliance challenges proactively. During his tenure with PwC and Forensic Risk Alliance (FRA), Mihnea adeptly handled complex FCPA-related matters and conducted impactful investigations. He was dedicated to collaborating with companies undergoing compliance monitorships by the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). In this capacity, he played a significant role in assisting these organizations to navigate the intricacies of such processes while collaborating closely with monitors to ensure effective compliance outcomes. Mihnea's experience also includes extensive involvement in large-scale investigations, as well as pre- and post-acquisition compliance due diligence across diverse regions such as Europe, Latin America, Africa, Asia, and the Middle East. He has conducted numerous anti-corruption, anti-money laundering, and sanctions assessments on various targets both in the US and Europe. Prior to his tenure at Lextegrity, Mihnea contributed his expertise to the Forensics departments of PwC and FRA in Washington D.C., where he gained comprehensive



	experience in FCPA-related matters and investigations. His earlier career also includes a stint at PwC in Bucharest, Romania.
Panelists 	**Andy Miller** Chief Analytics Officer Lextegrity Andy is currently the Chief Analytics Officer at Lextegrity, where he is dedicated to transforming customers' data into actionable insights for managing enterprise risk, particularly in the areas of fraud and corruption. He is deeply passionate about innovation in analytics and is committed to ensuring that Lextegrity stays at the forefront of analytical techniques to counteract emerging fraud schemes and bad actors. Andy also had a significant role at Deep 6 AI as Head of Data. A company founded in 2016 with the mission to expedite life-saving treatments using AI in clinical trials. In his previous position at Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Andy led their global visual analytics capability, focusing on revealing actionable insights from data to enhance decision-making at every level of the organization. As part of the Internal Audit department, he established the company's audit analytics program, aiming to improve the detection of erroneous, anomalous, or fraudulent transactions. Additionally, Andy led numerous SOX, Compliance, and Operational audits worldwide. Andy began his career at Ernst & Young (EY), serving large, multinational clients in their advisory practice, focusing on reviewing risks, processes, and controls and recommending adjustments to optimize efficiency and minimize risk. He holds a BA from Pennsylvania State University and is a Certified Professional Accountant (inactive). **Alex Panait, ACCA, CPA** Insurance Solutions and Strategy Leader Lazarus AI With over 15 years of experience in the financial services industry, Alex has developed a profound passion for driving innovation and growth in the insurance sector. Currently, Alex serves as the Insurance Solutions and Strategy Leader at Lazarus AI, a pioneering enterprise start-up in foundation models. In this role, Alex spearheads the go-to-market and product strategy for their state-of-the-art document understanding API, a tool capable of extracting data from documents of any type, format, page count, or language, without the need for prior training. Alex's expertise isn't limited to technology alone; as an ACCA and CPA certified professional, Alex also brings a wealth of knowledge in accounting, auditing, and reporting. Previously, Alex held the position of Financial Services Digital Innovation Director at PwC. There, Alex was instrumental in launching a new growth pillar in financial reporting as a service for insurance carriers. This initiative combined cutting-edge technology with a reimagined service delivery model. Additionally, Alex was actively involved in securing new partnership opportunities with fintech and deeptech start-ups, securing a competitive technological edge and driving revenue growth. Alex's mission is to empower insurance companies to leverage AI and data to enhance their efficiency, accuracy, and customer satisfaction.
	