



# READ OUR NEWSLETTER – *For extra tidbits & twine*

## April 2017

*"When you make a mistake,  
there are only three things you  
should ever do about it:  
admit it, learn from it  
and don't repeat it."  
~Paul Bear Bryant.*

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### From the CEO

#### Dear Members

Most of you are aware that we recently had our annual Imbizo, if you are unsure what this means I'll give a quick overview. At the Imbizo the ACFE SA and the Heads of Forensics come together to discuss the future of the forensic industry and the solutions needed to curb fraud and corruption in all aspects. Henry Ford said it best: "Most people spend more time going around problems than trying to solve them."

At the Imbizo, that is what we attempt to do, we try and solve the problems instead of going around in circles creating more problems. Our discussions mainly centered around the newly proposed Cyber Bill which we hope to provide more training on to all examiners in the weeks to come. We had a request by some

government institutions that we urgently look into

contingency fee practices and even make changes to our own Code of Ethics and Professional Standards explicitly stating that we are against these practices.

Lastly we discussed the National Anti-Corruption Strategy and how we (public and private sector) can work together towards these objectives. We will be presenting a white-paper on contingency fees hopefully by end of this month to indicate what our position is on

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## The ACFE Mission

The mission of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners is to reduce the incidence of fraud and white-collar crime and to assist the membership in its detection and deterrence through training, networking and technical updates.

### To accomplish our mission, the ACFE:

- Provides bona fide qualifications for Certified Fraud Examiners through administration of the CFE Examination.
- Sets high standards for admission, including demonstrated competence through mandatory continuing professional education.
- Requires members to adhere to a strict code of professional conduct and ethics.
- Serves as the international representative for Certified Fraud Examiners to business, government and academic institutions.
- Provides leadership to inspire public confidence in the integrity, objectivity, and professionalism of Certified Fraud Examiners.

this sticky topic.

Our conference preparations are well underway. We will be finalising the program at the end of March, beginning April. This year our conference is going to blow you out of this world, since it's our 10th conference we want to go as big as possible. We have also added an extra incentive if you register early for the conference: membership for 2017-2018 and the first 10 corporate companies to register 5 delegates or more will receive a 10% discount on their membership fees for 2017-2018. Early Bird registrations are also in effect, however they end on the 1st of July 2017.

### DON'T MISS OUT

A bit of exciting news that I wish to share with our African Chapter members: we have created a special mailing list specifically just for our members from other African countries. We are aiming for better relationships and a more active ACFE in Africa as a whole and we hope that our venture further into Africa will be as fruitful as we plan for it to be.

Our Training room is up and running and we have had multiple training sessions here already. If you wish to make use of our training room please book through Nelly at [nelly@acfesa.co.za](mailto:nelly@acfesa.co.za). Its both conveniently located and can carry up to 35 attendees.

As always, looking forward to a prosperous year for the fight against fraud and corruption.

**Jaco de Jager, CFE**

*Chief Executive Officer*

**Association of Certified Fraud Examiners –**

**SA Chapter**

## April 2017

5 - 6 April 2017

ACFE SA Workshop: Interviewing skills - Central

20 April 2017

Limpopo Regional meeting

## May 2017

11 May

ACFE SA Annual Golf day  
Services Golf club

15 - 16 May 2017

ACFE SA Workshop: Forensic Report writing  
Limpopo

18 May 2017

Botswana Regional meeting

25 May 2017

Central Regional meeting  
Pretoria Regional meeting

29 - 30 May 2017

ACFE SA Workshop: Tracing of Hidden Assets  
Gauteng

**NB**

## ACFE SA Annual Golf day

### 11 May 2017 Gauteng

The ACFE SA finally has a big enough training venue  
AND we are renting it out to any and all people who wish  
to have a training session.

Book the venue now if you don't want your spot to be  
grabbed up by someone else.

Please see the training tender and the rental agreement  
attached.

Please email Nelly at [nelly@acfesa.co.za](mailto:nelly@acfesa.co.za) or Jesca at  
[jesca@acfesa.co.za](mailto:jesca@acfesa.co.za) to make your booking.

## Conference African Corner



10<sup>th</sup> Annual African  
Conference & Exhibition

17–20 September 2017  
Sandton Convention Centre

"Problems can become opportunities when the right people  
come together." Robert South  
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The 10<sup>th</sup> ACFE African and 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Fraud Conference hosted by the ACFE  
SA is recognised as the largest anti-fraud event in Africa, and second largest in the  
world.

We aim to bring together 1000 + anti-fraud professionals from more than 20  
countries over three days!

**KEY NOTE SPEAKER**

JAMES D RATLEY PRESIDENT ACFE INTERNATIONAL	GERT VAN DER LINDE LEAD FIM SPECIALIST AIFM	ADV. PAUL HOFFMAN DIRECTOR IFABA
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This is the event of the decade! CPE: 20  
To register please contact Janine at [janine@acfesa.co.za](mailto:janine@acfesa.co.za) or  
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# ACFE Conference and Exhibition 2017 17 – 20 September 2017

## *Interesting news/articles:*

[Job vacancies available](#)

The Ethics Institute 7th Annual Conference  
- [more information](#)

[World Bank commits \\$57bn to Africa, with emphasis on the private sector](#)

[African states warned of risks of new 'gig economy'](#)

[The Emotional Impacts of Fraud](#)

[The Money Laundering Risk Posed by Lawyer Trust Accounts](#)

[Tough life lessons from the Bernie Madoff Ponzi scheme](#)

[Data protection a real challenge across Africa](#)

[AEPF Ethical Practices Survey 2017 - close middle April 217](#)

## **ANNOUNCEMENT!!**

FICA legislation in Southern Africa now requires all accountants to register as accountable institutions and report financial crimes to the Financial Intelligence Centre. For further inquiries email [technical@saiba.org.za](mailto:technical@saiba.org.za) or phone [0126431800](tel:0126431800).

# ACFE SA 10th Annual African Conference and Exhibition

## *Award nominations:*

### **Be Recognised – ACFE African Fraud Conference Award nominations**

Some African sayings mention that “it takes a village to raise a child” and that “he/she who learns, teaches”. It is in this spirit, that the importance of recognising those around us who contribute to improving the anti-fraud community does not go unnoticed.

This year is our 10th ACFE Conference taking place the 17 - 20 September 2017, we should not forget to acknowledge those we believe have held the anti-fraud torch high in the environments within which they operate. Take this time from now to the end of August 2017 to nominate those individuals, organisations and/or regional committees that you consider to have met the criteria below for the respective awards.

We encourage all members from all regions to put your nominations forward so that we have a representation of awards for each category from each region. Your participation and involvement in this will make the awards ceremony a night to remember for those who often regard the work they do as just doing the right thing recognition.

This is about shining the light on those who shine the light on fraud. Go on, nominate!

Click on the [Survey Monkey](#) to make your nomination count! Please remember to send any other proof and relevant information regarding the nomination to Janine at [Janine@acfesa.co.za](mailto:Janine@acfesa.co.za).

Please click on the respective awards to see the set criteria:

We would also like to welcome our  
new Corporate member:

Grant Thornton PS  
Advisory PTY LTD

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[Contribution to the Anti – Fraud Profession in South Africa](#)

[Corporate member of the year Award](#)

[Educator of the year Award](#)

[Honorary Member of the ACFE SA Award](#)

[Regional Committee of the year Award](#)

I chose making mistakes and learning from them to be this month's theme. We need to grow as people and the only way to do so is to make mistakes and then to learn from them as we go along. If you can create an opportunity out of a mistake that you have made, even better so.

So go out into the world, not fearful of making mistakes but expectant of it. It is impossible to be perfect all the time and the sooner we, as people, realise this, the sooner we will start to make the difference in the world we so desperately crave.

*KIND REGARDS  
ACFE SA TEAM*