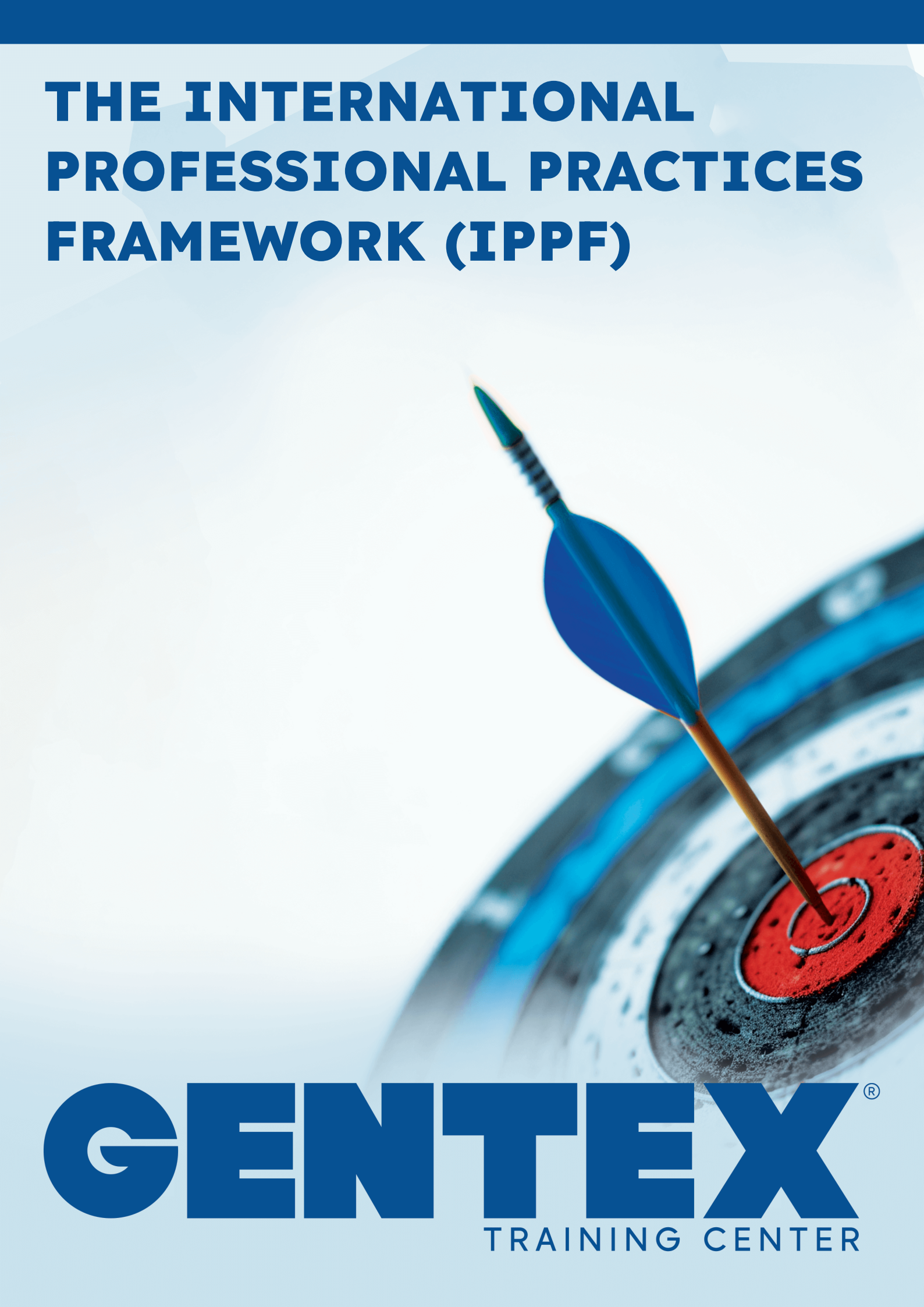
THE INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES FRAMEWORK (IPPF)



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Introduction

The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF) Training Course builds a complete working knowledge of the framework that governs the internal audit profession. Participants work through the IPPF structure and its mandatory and recommended elements, the Global Internal Audit Standards and their principles, the Code of Ethics and its application, the Topical Requirements and Global Guidance, and how to apply the framework across the audit cycle, in quality assurance, and in professional conduct as one connected reference. The programme links the standards an auditor must follow with the daily judgements that compliance demands. As a result, learners gain a practical command of the IPPF. Furthermore, the course strengthens professional ethics, standards literacy, and audit judgement.

The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF) Course Objectives

- Explain the IPPF structure and its mandatory and recommended elements.
- Apply the Global Internal Audit Standards and their principles.
- Apply the Code of Ethics: integrity, objectivity, confidentiality, competence.
- Apply standards on purpose, ethics, governance, and the audit function.
- Apply standards on managing the audit function and its mandate.
- Apply standards on engagement planning, execution, and reporting.
- Apply the Topical Requirements to specialised audit areas.
- Apply Global Guidance and other recommended non-mandatory elements.
- Apply the framework to quality assurance and improvement programmes.
- Apply conformance, gap analysis, and evidence of standards compliance.

Course Methodology

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- Interactive sessions built on standards application and conformance cases.
- Workshops on standards mapping, ethics dilemmas, and conformance review.
- Group exercises on gap analysis against standards and quality assessment.
- Hands-on practice with conformance checklists and standards mapping tables.
- Simulation of a conformance self-assessment and an ethics case discussion.
- Facilitator coaching and peer review on personal conformance plans.

Who Should Take This Course

- Internal auditors at all levels of experience.
- Audit managers and heads of internal audit.
- Quality assurance and audit methodology specialists.
- Compliance and governance officers working with audit.
- Audit committee members and secretaries.
- Consultants and trainers advising on internal audit standards.

The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF) Course Outlines

Day 1: Framework Architecture and Mandatory Elements

- The purpose and structure of the IPPF.
- Mandatory elements: standards, Code of Ethics, Topical Requirements.
- Recommended elements: Global Guidance and other resources.
- The relationship between the IPPF and the audit charter.

- The IIA Standards-setting process and adoption.
- Conformance language and what conformance requires.
- Case discussion: a function claiming conformance it did not meet.

Day 2: Ethics, Purpose, and the Audit Function

- The Code of Ethics and its four principles.
- Integrity, objectivity, confidentiality, and competence applied.
- Ethical dilemmas and escalation practice.
- Standards on the purpose and ethical foundations of internal auditing.
- Standards on governance and the position of the audit function.
- Independence, objectivity, and impairment handling.
- Exercise: analysing ethics and independence scenarios.

Day 3: Managing the Function and Engagement Planning

- Standards on managing the internal audit function.
- Mandate, charter, and board and audit committee relationships.
- Risk-based planning, resources, and coordination.
- Engagement planning standards and communication.
- Defining objectives, scope, and criteria.
- Engagement risk assessment and programme design.
- Workshop: mapping engagement practice to standards.

Day 4: Engagement Execution, Findings, and Reporting

- Standards on performing audit work and gathering evidence.

- Evaluating findings, conclusions, and recommendations.
- Communicating results and engagement conclusions.
- Monitoring, follow-up, and closure standards.
- Communicating risk acceptance and residual risk.
- Topical Requirements for specialised engagements.
- Simulation: applying standards to an engagement from start to finish.

Day 5: Quality Assurance, Guidance, and Conformance

- Standards on quality assurance and improvement programmes.
- Internal assessments, external assessments, and self-assessment.
- Using Global Guidance in practice.
- Conformance review, gap analysis, and remediation.
- Evidencing standards compliance and documenting conformance.
- Framework adoption and continuous professional development.
- Capstone: presenting a framework conformance plan.

Conclusion

By successfully completing The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF), participants will gain a practical command of the IPPF structure and mandatory elements, the Global Internal Audit Standards and their principles, the Code of Ethics, the Topical Requirements and Global Guidance, and the application of the framework across the audit cycle, quality assurance and professional conduct. They will acquire skills in standards interpretation, ethical judgement, engagement practice alignment, and conformance assessment that strengthen audit quality. Gentex Training Center designs the programme to help audit professionals apply the IPPF with confidence.

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FAQs for The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF) course

Q1 What is the "The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF)" course about?

It builds a complete working knowledge of the framework that governs the internal audit profession. The course spans the IPPF structure and its mandatory and recommended elements, the Global Internal Audit Standards, the Code of Ethics, managing the function and engagement practice, and quality assurance and conformance.

Q2 What are the key benefits of the "The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF)" course?

You gain a practical command of the IPPF that links the standards an auditor must follow with the daily judgements that compliance demands. The course improves standards interpretation and conformance assessment, strengthens ethical judgement and independence handling, sharpens engagement practice alignment, and gives you quality assurance and gap analysis practice that supports credible claims of conformance.

Q3 What skills will I gain from the "The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF)" course?

You will develop four core skills: IPPF structure and mandatory element application, Global Internal Audit Standards interpretation, Code of Ethics and independence judgement, and conformance assessment with quality assurance and gap analysis practice.

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Q4 What tools, methods, or standards are covered in the "The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF)" course?

The course covers the purpose and structure of the IPPF, mandatory elements across standards, the Code of Ethics and Topical Requirements, recommended elements including Global Guidance, the relationship between the IPPF and the audit charter, the IIA Standards-setting process and adoption, conformance language and requirements, the Code of Ethics and its four principles of integrity, objectivity, confidentiality and competence, ethical dilemmas and escalation practice, standards on the purpose and ethical foundations of internal auditing, standards on governance and the position of the audit function, independence, objectivity and impairment handling, standards on managing the internal audit function, mandate, charter and board and audit committee relationships, risk-based planning, resources and coordination, engagement planning standards and communication, defining objectives, scope and criteria, engagement risk assessment and programme design, standards on performing audit work and gathering evidence, evaluating findings, conclusions and recommendations, communicating results and engagement conclusions, monitoring, follow-up and closure standards, communicating risk acceptance and residual risk, Topical Requirements for specialised engagements, standards on quality assurance and improvement programmes, internal assessments, external assessments and self-assessment, using Global Guidance in practice, conformance review, gap analysis and remediation, and evidencing standards compliance and documenting conformance.

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Q5 How is the "The International Professional Practices Framework (IPPF)" course applied in real-world practice?

Participants apply it to real work such as mapping engagement practice to standards, analysing ethics and independence scenarios, applying Topical Requirements to a specialised engagement, running a conformance self-assessment with gap analysis, using Global Guidance to improve methodology, and presenting a framework conformance plan. The same methods support quality assurance reviews and audit charter development