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Chartered IT Compliance Officer (CITCO)

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Introducing Africa's First Chartered IT Compliance Officer (CITCO) Designation

Introducing the Chartered IT Compliance Officer (CITCO) designation – a groundbreaking achievement that marks a new era in the professionalisation of IT governance and compliance in South Africa.





This prestigious designation, registered at NQF Level 8, is conferred on professionals who have demonstrated exceptional expertise at the intersection of compliance, governance, and information technology.

The CITCO designation is designed for senior to executive-level professionals who are leading the charge in ensuring ethical digital practices, regulatory compliance, cybersecurity assurance, and effective IT risk management across organisations.

The designation recognises a critical and growing discipline in a digital world where governance, risk, and compliance are at the heart of sustainable innovation.



The Chartered IT Compliance Officer certification is open to experienced IT and compliance professionals who have met stringent education, ethics, and practical experience requirements.

Applicants undergo an assessment and professional interview with the examination board. Where an individual is found to be not yet competent, a supervisory and mentorship framework is implemented, including practical, lab-based activities to develop applied competence before reassessment.

As digital transformation accelerates, the demand for certified professionals who can bridge the gap between technical systems and regulatory obligations has never been greater. The CITCO designation empowers professionals to lead within highly regulated environments, offering credibility, competitive advantage, and public trust.

Alignment

with King V and Governance Competency Principles



The CITCO designation directly supports the King V Code of Corporate Governance, particularly its focus on competence, ethical leadership, accountability, and technology governance.

King V emphasises that boards and governing bodies must ensure they have the right skills, digital awareness, and ethical oversight to guide organisations through technological complexity and emerging digital risks.

CITCO professionals embody these principles by:

- Demonstrating ethical and responsible leadership in the digital domain;
- Strengthening board and management competency in IT governance, cyber-security, and regulatory compliance;
- Supporting integrated assurance and data-driven decision-making; and
- Upholding transparency and accountability in the design and oversight of technology-enabled systems.

Through its rigorous competency standards, ethical framework, and continuous professional development requirements, the CITCO designation ensures that organisations governed under King V can rely on qualified, accountable, and digitally fluent professionals to safeguard trust, compliance, and sustainable innovation.

Format & Support



Are You Ready to Unlock the CITCO Universe?

This isn't just about ticking boxes — it's about launching a future-proof career in compliance. Each module builds your confidence, expands your skills, and boosts your digital footprint.

Let's go catch some criminals — one transaction at a time.

Our intuitive eLearning platform has been tailored to foster learning in a fun and exciting manner. Each piece of content has been curated and customized to aid you on your learning journey.

Here's what you can look for to on our platform:



Hybrid learning: Online portal + On-site sessions (where available)



Live lectures, interactive Q&As, and facilitator guidance



Gamified quizzes and simulations



Community of learners via WhatsApp & portal discussions

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