

Biography

Mark started his career in 1991 in the financial sector as IT specialist in PCs, servers, mainframes and international networks. He has also spent many years as an IT-analyst and programmer and knows the IT world inside-out.

In 2005 Mark made the switch to Internal Audit, as an IT auditor. A few years later he became a policy officer in Audit, responsible for the training of auditors worldwide, as well as for the continuous improvement of the audit methodology, based on the IPPF International Standards.

In 2010 Mark joined the Board of Directors of IIA Belgium, where he also temporarily served as president of the executive committee. Especially the activities of the Education Committee, the Quality Assurance Committee, the Advocacy Committee and the Digitization Committee remain close to his heart. After many years, he left the Board in 2021.

From 2015 onwards, Mark specialized in the digitalization age, by mapping the various disruptive technologies and their impact on business processes. Mark knows his way around in the IoT, the grid, 5G, smart cities, AI, robotics, aerospace, cyber, crypto, blockchain, AR/VR, nanotech, quantum, ... He thus can explain them to the international auditor community in search of new emerging risks.

From 2020, Mark embarked on the path of cybersecurity. He joined a European ESF project with the objective of better securing the local SME market against the ever-changing world of cybercrime.

Today, Mark is again active in the IT sector as an AI and cybersecurity specialist, and remains to have close ties with IIA Belgium and ISACA, for which he regularly provides seminars and training courses, in Belgium and across the globe.

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