

## MetricStream to Host a Complimentary Webinar on “Integration of SOX and Operational Audits”

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MetricStream, Inc., the market leader in Enterprise Governance, Risk, Compliance (GRC) and Quality Management solutions, announced today that Connie Valencia - CIA, CCSA – Principal, Elevate Consulting will join Prashanth Shetty - Vice-President of GRC Solutions, MetricStream, in a webinar on Internal audit management. The topic for discussion would be “Integration of SOX and Operational Audits

The webinar is scheduled to take place at 10:00 am Pacific (1:00 pm Eastern) on Wednesday June 16, 2010. To register for this event, please click [here](#)

### About the webinar

The dramatic increase in the workload of internal audit related to SOX is typically not supported by a proportionate rise in resources. This results in critical activities like operational and system audits, fraud investigations and special audit work taking a back seat to the more pressing needs of regulatory compliance. This shift toward SOX and general compliance related duties demands rebalancing and a seamless integration of SOX and Operational Audits as meeting the requirements of the law is, obviously, important, but not to the detriment of other responsibilities of auditors.

This webinar will help attendees learn how to:

- \* Integrate SOX controls tests into operational audits
- \* Utilize expertise in business process analysis and risk management
- \* Leverage financial, compliance and IT controls for exploring business operations
- \* Ensure that your audit department provides true value addition instead of being a 'SOX Shop'
- \* Use techniques and tools for optimizing the role of internal audit in a compliance-centric era

### About the speakers

#### Connie Valencia - CIA, CCSA – Principal, Elevate Consulting

Connie Valencia is a dynamic business consultant who specializes in process improvement and internal controls. She is a principal of Elevate Consulting, a leading provider of process improvement, technology risk management and financial consulting services. With over a decade of experience, Connie has mastered a diverse range of complex financial and internal audit services including outsourced / co-sourced internal audits and quality assessment reviews. She specializes in self assessment and corporate governance consultation, policy and procedure enhancement, process improvement consulting, and Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance. Prior to joining Elevate, Connie has a array of "Big 4" public accounting and international internal audit / consulting experience.

#### Prashanth Shetty - Vice-President of GRC Solutions, MetricStream

Prior to joining MetricStream, Prashanth was a Senior Director of Solution Management at SAP GRC, where he held broad management responsibilities for key GRC product lines. He has been a speaker at leading international GRC conferences on various innovation topics. His contributions helped drive significant customer adoption and resulted in five-fold revenue growth. Prashanth started his career at Oracle where he was one of the founding members of the Oracle Store™, the company's first e-commerce division which grew from zero to \$300M in revenues in under four years. Prashanth graduated with an MS from Stanford University and earned an MBA from the Wharton Business School at the University of Pennsylvania.

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