We would like to invite you to the Durham Rutgers Accounting Analytics Network (DRAAN) **Technological Adoption of Audit Data Analytics (ADA)** webinar on **Friday 18**th **February 2022** at **15:00 UK time (10:00 EST)** led by Dr Michael Kend

The Speaker:

Michael Kend, PhD, CPA is a lecturer in the School of Accounting, Information Systems and Supply Chain at RMIT University, Australia. He has research experience covering archival, empirical, and interview-based research. Previously he completed work on an ARC Linkage Grant funded by the Australian Government and is best known for his co-authored research book called "The Future of Audit: Keeping Capital Markets Efficient" published in 2010. His more recent research involves providing stakeholder perspectives about new audit practices that emerge due to high-level technological advancements and how they then embed themselves into existing audit spaces. He has published in academic journals such as ABACUS, the International Journal of Auditing and the Managerial Auditing Journal.

Dr Michael Kend Webpage

The Session:

There has been high-level technological adoption of audit data analytics (ADA) in the developed markets of Australia, New Zealand, and the U.K., and this presentation focuses on how this technology has started to become embedded into existing audit spaces within these three jurisdictions. The research raises calls for regulators to be more up to speed with these new technological changes, as audit standards need to be amended accordingly. Drawing on the views from several different stakeholder groups, not just the Big Four firms, the presentation aims to help us understanding how audit firms (at the organisational level) are adapting to these new technological changes in existing audit spaces, and how audit standards need to evolve to better support external auditors. The auditing standards do not presently provide enough opportunity for ADA to be fully exploited in the conduct of an audit, and this is creating barriers to innovation and the deployment of increasingly sophisticated technological resources.

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