

Speakers

Arion Cheong is a research scholar in Accounting Information Systems at Rutgers Business School. He has worked in researches and projects that are related to cybersecurity assurance. He has a background in economics and received his master's degree at the University of Texas at Austin. He is a big fan of design science research and hoping to introduce newer technology into the accounting domain.

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