

IT advisory services

Resilient businesses are the disrupters. They cultivate creative workforces, automation, innovation, mobility and an agile technology environment.

The business landscape has rapidly moved to digital operations. To be successful your business needs not just to be resilient, but also to embrace a resilient culture.

The technology that supports business operations should be agile enough to embrace the continuous changing market landscape and enable business to move at the speed of change.

Innovation, Thought Leadership and Knowledge Sharing

Grant Thornton is continually striving to improve our service offering.

- We look for innovative ways to improve our service; how to automate more and so increase efficiency and product delivery through the use of rapid development tools.
- Global and local groups focus on specific industries to ensure an understanding of the risks and opportunities currently impacting that industry.
- One of our directors is a futurist and can assist in business strategy thinking, development and planning as well as foresight development.
- Globally member firms collaborate on surveys and international business reports; including annual governance reports, cybersecurity, technology innovation and more.
- We hold sessions and presentations with our clients and staff on an ongoing basis to share knowledge and best practice on a regular basis.

It's imperative to embrace disruption.

IT solutions

- Innovation strategic foresight
- Solution & app development
- Continuous monitoring using CAATs
- Data analytics
- IT project management
- IT audit training
- Training /seminars, coaching & mentoring.

Recent developments such as the introduction of low-code rapid development platforms, which reduce development time by up to 75% and accelerate time-to-market by a factor of three, are useful now.

These platforms already incorporate key requirements and functionality such as security and cross platform deployment.

They empower development teams, like the one at Grant Thornton, to focus on delivering the required value and wishes of clients through continuous interaction, reduced development time, cost and fast delivery.

Our team of audit experts can help you navigate the complexities and provide you with robust independent assurance that your IT risks, key management priorities and core systems are being appropriately managed.

IT advisory

Grant Thornton offers the following IT advisory services that could help your organisation to optimise its technology activities:

- IT strategy
- Solution selection
- Governance of IT
- IT policies and procedures
- IT controls
- Cybersecurity
- IT due diligence
- Digital forensics
- IT risk assessments
- Cloud computing
- Social Media related risks
- SOX IT Controls testing
- Privacy (POPI) advisory.



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IT assurance

Our IT audit services are geared towards providing our clients with robust independent assurance that their IT risks, key management (governance) priorities and core systems are being appropriately managed. Engagements can range from where we express an audit opinion (e.g. under international standards like International Standard on Assurance Engagements (ISAE) 3402) to agreed-upon-procedures e.g. under the International Standard on Related Services, where we simply report on risks and control weaknesses found.

We provide the following IT assurance services:

- Service Organisation Control (SOC 1/2/3) audits & reports (ISAE 3402)
- Privacy (POPI) audits
- General IT controls reviews
- Detailed operating system security reviews (NT, W200×, UNIX, mainframes)
- Internet & firewall testing
- Application controls reviews
- Pre and post system implementation reviews
- Database reviews (Oracle, ingress, SQL Server)
- IT disaster recovery & business continuity reviews.

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