



Western Intergovernmental Audit Forum

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Greetings, all! The Western Intergovernmental Audit Forum's next conference will be held October 12-13, 2009, at the Sheraton Waikiki. The conference will run all day Monday and a half-day on Tuesday, and **will offer 10 CPEs at a cost of \$275.00**. It will feature a reception, a luncheon, and two continental breakfasts. Dress at the conference will be business casual.

On Monday, the conference will feature sessions on a variety of topics, including auditing under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, investigating mortgage fraud, and updates on auditing standards. Monday's program will conclude with the Financial/Compliance/IT and Performance Audit Roundtables, followed by a reception. Tuesday will feature an interactive workshop on enhancing team effectiveness.

Registration is available online at www.auditforum.org under the tab, "Online Registration." A tentative agenda will be available online shortly. **Please register no later than Wednesday, September 30, 2009.** Online registration is the preferred method; however, should you need a registration form faxed to you, please contact Michael Trujillo at trujillom@gao.gov or 415-904-2150. If paying by check, please mail it to: WIAF, c/o Benjamin Licht, U.S. GAO, 441 G Street NW, Room 7814, Washington, DC 20548.

You may also wish to attend the Governmental Professional Development Conference, October 14 to 16, at the Sheraton Waikiki. This event, which will offer up to 24 CPEs, is sponsored by the Hawaii Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) and the American Society of Military Comptrollers. For more information about this conference and to register, visit <http://agahawaii.org/www/gpdc>.

The **Sheraton Waikiki** is located at 2255 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96815. AGA has negotiated **several different group rates that extend from Saturday, October 10 to Sunday, October 18, 2009 (subject to availability)**, which are available to WIAF conference participants. Depending on which you rate you qualify for, the prices are as follows: \$177/night for government employees; \$180/night for Hawaii residents; \$230 for conference attendees. **These rates are only good until Wednesday, September 9, 2009**, so please make your hotel room reservations as soon as possible. To make reservations, please visit <http://agahawaii.org/www/node/134> and select the rate for which you qualify.

Should you have any questions or if can provide additional information, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to seeing you in Honolulu in October!