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KEYNOTE SPEAKER



CA Dayaniwas Sharma
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SPEAKERS



CA Dr. Durgesh Pandey
Professor
University of Portsmouth
Topic: Using AI to Enhance
Fraud Detection and
Internal Controls
in Accounting Workflows



CA Anand Prakash Jangid
Managing Partner
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Topic: Data Analytics Essentials
for Accounting Professionals:
From Raw Data to
Actionable Insights



CA Mahendra Khiani
Director
KPMG Middle East
Topic: Building Trustworthy AI:
Governance, Ethics,
and Compliance in the Age of
Intelligent Automation

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Wednesday, 7th January 2026
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Followed by Dinner



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The Committee of Taxation Society takes great pleasure in inviting you for the Event on “The Quiet AI Shift: From Spreadsheets to Trusted Controls”

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AGENDA	
Day and Date	Wednesday, 7th January 2026
06:00 PM to 06:30 PM	Networking & Registration
06:30 PM to 06:35 PM	Opening Address by Bhawna Chopra Secretary, Taxation Society
06:35 PM to 06:40 PM	President Address by Nimish Makvana President, Taxation Society
06:40 PM to 06:45 PM	Chairman Address by Naveen Sharma Chairman, Taxation Society
06:45 PM to 06:55 PM	Address by Keynote Speaker CA Dayaniwas Sharma Central Council Member ICAI
06:55 PM to 07:35 PM	Address by Guest Speaker CA Dr. Durgesh Pandey Professor University of Portsmouth Topic: Using AI to Enhance Fraud Detection and Internal Controls in Accounting Workflows Key Points: • How AI supports fraud-related tasks: duplicate-invoice checks, anomaly spotting, pattern recognition, and reading large document sets. • Simple workflows combining data analytics + AI to improve detection of red flags without machine-learning modelling. • Building defensible controls: traceability, versioning, and maintaining evidence suitable for auditors and regulators.
07:35 PM to 08:15 PM	Address by Guest Speaker CA Anand Prakash Jangid Managing Partner AJA Topic: Data Analytics Essentials for Accounting Professionals: From Raw Data to Actionable Insights Key Points: • Basics of data analytics: cleaning, sorting, trend identification, outlier detection -explained with accounting examples (payables, receivables, VAT filings). • Tools accountants already have: Excel, Power BI, Copilot for Excel, and simple dashboards to improve accuracy and reduce manual effort. • How to start small: a simple analytics workflow accountants can adopt without technical training.
08:15 PM to 08:55 PM	Address by Guest Speaker CA Mahendra Khiani Director KPMG Middle East Topic: Building Trustworthy AI: Governance, Ethics, and Compliance in the Age of Intelligent Automation A deep dive into how organizations can operationalize trust through structured AI governance aligned with ISO/IEC 42001, from risk management and transparency to ethical oversight and lifecycle controls. This session will show practical steps to build responsible, compliant, and audit-ready AI systems—anchored in global standards and the UAE's AI Ethics Charter.
08:55 PM to 09:00 PM	Vote of Thanks
09:00 PM Onwards	Dinner

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CA Dayaniwas Sharma
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CA Dayaniwas Sharma is a senior Chartered Accountant with over 25 years of professional experience, specialising in business structuring, business process re-engineering, governance advisory, and strategic business transitions. He has advised a wide spectrum of organisations, including family-owned enterprises, promoter-led companies, listed entities, and institutional stakeholders.

His core expertise lies in family business advisory and succession planning, where he has closely worked with multiple business families to design robust governance structures and ensure seamless inter-generational transitions. He has also played a pivotal role in IPO-led transformations, private equity-driven restructurings, and complex business transitions, representing stakeholders on both the buy-side and sell-side.

A strong advocate of technology-enabled transformation, CA Dayaniwas Sharma has led and advised on technology assessments, digital adoption, and enterprise-wide transformation initiatives, with a particular focus on the application of Artificial Intelligence in accounting, audit, risk management, and governance.

He currently serves as the Chairman of the Digital Accounting and Assurance Board (DAAB) of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) and is the Founding Chairman of the "AI in ICAI" initiative, where he presently holds the position of Vice Chairman. He has been instrumental in conceptualising and designing the world's first Forensic and Investigation Standards (FAIS) and India's first AI certification programmes for Chartered Accountants under ICAI.

These AI certification programmes have witnessed exceptional national and international participation, with over 35,000 Chartered Accountants trained, positioning ICAI as a global thought leader in technology-driven professional education.

CA Dayaniwas Sharma is a widely respected speaker and trainer, frequently engaged by government bodies, regulators, and enforcement agencies, including NIA, CAG, SEBI, RBI, CID, public and private sector banks, and other institutions, for high-impact capacity-building and specialised training programmes.

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CA Dr. Durgesh Pandey
Professor
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CA Dr. Durgesh is a Chartered Accountant, Law Graduate and PhD in Forensic Accounting from National Forensic Sciences University India (NFSU). He is a CFE from ACFE-USA and practices in the domain of Forensic Investigation and Advisory of Technology implementation. He is Honorary Professor in University of Portsmouth, UK. He is author of the book Forensic Foresights – Case Based Perspective on Forensic Accounting Standards, published by Taxmann

Practicing since a decade and half; his exclusive practice is in the domain of Consulting and Advisory for services like Forensic Investigation, Dispute Resolution, IT enabled services, AI and other technologies. He has conducted consultancy projects in multiple countries.

Appointed as Research Lead - India Desk for a Research Project on Trans-Border Frauds Study commissioned and funded by UK Home Office. Invited as Keynote speaker to speak in International conference at leading University in UK.

Worked with several LEAs like, Enforcement Directorate, Economic Offence Wing, Anti Corruption Bureau and other Law Enforcement Agencies. He has been awarded commendation letters on TWO counts by Director General of Police – Gujarat, for exemplary investigation of Financial Crime.

He has conducted Investigation on about 200+ cases of financial crime and dispute resolution. Appointments in most of the cases is by Law Enforcement Agencies for prosecution.

He has conducted training for senior Bureaucrats in India for IAS Officers, IPS Officers, IRS officer, ICLS Officers, Enforcement Directorate, SFIO, EOW, ACB, Local Crime Branch and Police officers of more than 35+ Countries on investigation of Financial Crime. He is Regular trainer at Banks and Conducted Workshops on Forensics for senior Bankers including Directors of State Bank of India.

Part of Expert Group for Developing Forensic Accounting and Investigation Standards and Implementation Guides, Conducted workshop for more than 20,000+ Chartered Accountants. Teaches Companies and professionals on subjects related to Artificial Intelligence across the country.

Qualifications

- PhD in Forensic Accounting
- Chartered Accountant
- Bachelor of Law
- Certified Fraud Examiner
- Diploma in Information System Audit (ICAI)

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CA Anand Prakash Jangid
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CA Anand Prakash Jangid is a recognized leader at the forefront of applying AI, Machine Learning, and Data Science to revolutionize finance, audit, and risk management.

As a Chartered Accountant and CISA, Anand's expertise is evident in his roles as Managing Partner at AJA and Chief Change Agent at ajalabs.ai. In these capacities, he spearheads innovation across India, North America, and Japan.

With a distinguished career that includes global experience at Goldman Sachs and Infosys, Anand has a proven track record of leading significant digital risk, AML, and regulatory transformation projects.

His talks offer practical "playbooks" on leveraging AI for critical functions such as fraud detection, predictive analytics for Finance, and autonomous Risk Management.

Committed to demystifying complex technology, Anand serves as a guest faculty at IIM Bangalore and the National Forensic Science University and many international, making advanced tech concepts accessible to finance professionals. He also contributes his expertise to expert panels for RBI, IRDAI, ICAI, and ISACA, actively shaping the future of tech-driven governance.

He consistently inspires finance & Audit leaders to transcend traditional compliance and achieve competitive advantage through intelligent automation.

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CA Mahendra Khiani
Director
KPMG Middle East

CA Mahendra Khiani is a Director at KPMG Middle East, where he leads the NextGen Governance, Risk, and Compliance (NextgenGRCS) and Enterprise Risk Management practice, driving digital transformation across risk, audit, finance, and sustainability functions. He works closely with Boards, Audit Committees, and senior leadership teams to modernize governance and risk frameworks through technology-enabled and datadriven solutions.

Mahendra specializes in transforming traditional Internal Audit and Enterprise Risk Management models by embedding advanced analytics, machine learning, and artificial intelligence into risk, controls, and assurance processes. He has led the development of several proprietary solutions spanning Internal Audit Data Analytics, Enterprise Risk Quantification, and Finance and Process Automation, helping organizations shift from reactive compliance to predictive, insight-led decision-making.

Beyond client work, Mahendra is an active contributor to the professional ecosystem. He serves as Technology Champion for the ICAI Dubai Chapter, Managing Committee Member at the Taxation Society of UAE, and Vice President – Education at ICAT, where he drives technology upskilling initiatives. Through these platforms, he has trained and mentored 1,000+ professionals on emerging technologies, data analytics, AI, and digital risk transformation.

Mahendra is a Chartered Accountant, holds an MBA from IIM Kozhikode, a Postgraduate degree in Data Science, and an Executive Postgraduate in Data Science with specialization in Natural Language Processing.

With over 17 years of global Big Four consulting experience, he has worked across diverse industries, delivering cutting-edge risk management and audit solutions that enhance organizational resilience and executive decision-making.





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