In concluding the IMFO conference the following declarations were reiterated:

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That the Municipal Manager/Accounting Officer ensure that ensure that there is a functional and effective internal audit function is established

That the Municipal Manager/Accounting Officer ensure that Internal is fully resourced i.t.o budget and staff with all relevant skills including finance, risk management, engineering, performance audit, IT e.t.c

That the Municipal Manager/Accounting Officer and Council must appoint CAE/HIA on the level that has authority i.e., on level 1 or 2/ Section 56/57 employee Internal Audit to ensure balance audits between Assurance and consulting services

Continuous Promotion of independence and objectivity
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  - That the Municipal Manager/Accounting Officer and Council must appoint CAE/HIA on the level that has authority i.e. on level 1 or 2/Section 56/57 employee
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# /e the Practitioners in the field of Municipal Internal Audit, Risk Management Performance Management and Governance Services Declare:Risk Management

- That the Municipal Manager/Accounting Officer ensure that there is a functional and effective Risk Management Function:
  - > That the Risk Management function located at the appropriate Level
  - > That the Risk Management Function adequately resourced
- That the is the Functional Risk Management Committee Chaired by an Independent Chairperson
- · That the strategic risk register must be aligned to the IDP and budget
- That the Operational Risk register be properly aligned to the SBDIP
- That the Strategic register must also address the immediate external factors to the municipality to address any emerging risk such as xenophobia and the likes
- . That the tone for Risk Management must be set at the top

#### e the Practitioners in the field of Municipal Internal Audi Risk Management Performance Management and Governance Services Declare:-Risk Management/2

- Risks to be linked to the projects of the institution.
- Risk management should form part of the top management agendas.
- Municipalities should develop a screening policy that will cover: new appointments, transfers, promotions as part of the people, risk management pule.
- Ensure that criminal checks and qualification verification (screening) cannot be conducted without the permission of the personnel.
- Third party risks should be identified and be incorporated in the risk registers of the institution.
- Risk identification should not an annual process but a continuous process

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  - That the functional Risk Management Committee is chaired by an independent chairperson
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## /e the Practitioners in the field of Municipal Internal Risk Management Performance Management ar Governance Services Declare:-Governance

- That those charged with governance set the tone at the top with respect
- Risk Management and related activities including (BCP & DRP)
- Internal Audit Responsibilities
- Performance Management and their role
- ICT Governance

Strengthening the complementary role of the AC, MPAC and Council Forums be established for Risk, performance, and Internal Audit

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