



CPA OLIVE M. GITAU

Professional & Education Qualifications:

- Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of Eastern and Southern Africa (MEFMI) Graduate Fellow in Operational Risk Management
- MBA in Operations Management, UON
- Bachelor of Commerce (Finance; First Class Honours), CUEA
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA-K) – ICPAK
- Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) – ISACA
- PRINCE2® certified practitioner
- Certified Trustee under the Trustee Development Program of Kenya by RBA
- Certified Risk Professional – RCP Level III (GARP)

ICPAK Registration Number: 5539

Date of Registration: June 2008

Position Nominated for: ICPAK Council Member 2021

Profile

I am a PhD candidate in Project Management at the Kenyatta University, a holder of an MBA in Operations Management from University of Nairobi and B. Com (Finance – First Class honours) from the Catholic University of Eastern Africa. I am also a Macroeconomic and Financial Management Institute of Eastern and

Southern Africa (MEFMI) Graduate Fellow in Operational Risk Management.

I am a member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountant of Kenya (ICPAK), ISACA, Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA), Association of Women Accountants of Kenya (AWAK) and Axelos Global Best Practice.

I am an expert in risk management, internal audit and public financial management. I am currently a senior internal auditor at the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) with over thirteen (13) years' experience. I am also a part time trainer at the Kenya School of Monetary Studies (KSMS) on risk management and internal controls. I formerly worked as a revenue officer at Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) from 2005 to 2007.

I notably serve as one of the CBK Defined Contributory Pension Scheme Board of Trustees where I also Chair the Audit and Compliance Committee. I have extensive experience in strategic leadership, policy setting, implementation of internal control systems and risk management practices amongst others.

Suitability for Council Election

- a) I am a member of the Institute in good standing
- b) I am committed to more deliverables in the 2021/2024 period
- c) I have been a member of the Institute for over twelve (12) years since 2008; I received a commendation in December 2020 for my outstanding contribution to the Institute.
- d) I have represented the Institute as a presenter in several events such as the ICPAK seminars, webinars and forums relating to CPA graduates.
- e) I served as a member of the Financial Services Sub-Committee from August 2015 to July 2017

f) I currently serve in the Member Services Committee through its Youth, Students Affairs & MLWD Sub-Committee from August 2017 to date where:

- I have been instrumental in the sensitization on the Trainee Accountant Practical Experience Framework (TAPEF)
- Together with the Committee members, been directly working on the practical roadmap of implementing ICPAK members living with disability policy.

I am married to M.J. Gitau an economist by profession and together we're blessed with two wonderful boys. I am a committed Christian and I fellowship and serve at my local church, Mamlaka Hill Chapel, Nairobi. I am also involved in various community initiatives at my rural home in Embu County, where together with my family we run a Retreat Centre.

My leadership skills and qualities have been proven and I believe I would competently lead you as a Council member and ably represent your interests with zeal.