



ALAN SIMMONDS

SENIOR CONSULTANT

QUALIFICATIONS

- Data Protection and Intellectual Property Law, University of Hertfordshire (**LLM**)
- Dissertation: IT Governance – A Model for Enablement and Advantage) (Open) (**MBA**)
- Enterprise Risk Governance, ERMA (**CERG**)
- BA (Hons), University of Port Elizabeth
- Rhodes University (**BSocSc**)
- National Diploma in Datametrics, University of South Africa (**Dip**)
- Business Architecture (**TOGAF/TOGAF BA & IT4IT**)
- Control Objectives for Information and Related Technology (**COBIT**)

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Risk & Control
- Internal & External Audit
- Fraud
- Insolvency & Receiverships

Currently practicing DPO Alan Simmonds is a privacy professional with a pragmatic understanding of multi-jurisdictional data protection law including the GDPR. Proven experience of a wide range of GDPR-required activities from the board to the department floor ensuring delivery meets legal standards and is disclosable to the Courts and Supervisors. Alan provides competent and comprehensive capabilities in establishing enterprise data protection and privacy strategy, communicating, planning, training, practical delivery, and management of privacy programmes.

Alan has over 30 years of practical experience in governance (technology, corporate and contract) and strategy across a broad spectrum of industry and commerce resulting in a proven capability of helping organisations meet their regulatory and legislative obligations. He has significant practical experience of how governance and regulatory issues are successfully managed and adopted by organisations through the innovative use of organisational structures, processes, controls, audit and assurance. Alan is a key contributor to COBIT 5 (ISACA) and TOGAF (Open Group) in the area of architecture governance and is the prime author of the research paper Governance of Outsourcing for the ITGI.

Alan also has a history spanning over the clinical, business and standards worlds (as a prime contributor to 3 global standards), as well as published papers on governance. He has also authored a module for ERMA's Risk Governance Master Class. In the ASEAN region, he has co-presented a risk management series of workshops over 3 years for the directors and NEDS of all Malaysian medium-sized companies for the Malaysian Stock Exchange (Bursa Malaysia).